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Super-Union

Air-Land-Sea Combine Appeals to Jimmy Hoffa And Hoffa's in a Hurry

He Denies Present Dickering But Ideas Cover Unions In and Out of AFL-CIO

Some Brotherhoods Hostile

A WALL STREET JOURNAL News Roundup
Harry Bridges and Capt. Bill Bradley, potentates of the pier unions, aren't the only ones who are thinking a giant transport super-union should be built around Jimmy Hoffa's Teamsters.

Mr. Hoffa thinks so himself.
In San Francisco yesterday, driving to consolidate his position as heir apparent to the truckers' throne, the peppery Teamster vice president took time out to flash a picture of his plan:

"I recognize the necessity of having a combined transportation union in this country—land, sea, and air," said Jimmy Hoffa. "And I think we will see that day."

He gave his reasoning:
"You can't have a successful one-city strike or a one transportation (system) strike."

And he is in a hurry about it. A reporter asked whether any discussions have been conducted along these lines. He replied:

"Unfortunately they haven't, but it's a project that must immediately be gone into."

The B & B Philosophy

His philosophy went even beyond that expressed by Messrs. Bridges and Bradley, chiefs respectively of the West Coast and East Coast longshoremen's unions, in interviews printed in yesterday's Wall Street Journal. But like these men, he made it clear he was thinking of a combine including unions presently both inside and outside the AFL-CIO.

The Teamsters, for the nonce at least, are inside the Federation, though threatened with expulsion unless they "clean up." Both of the dockers' unions are outside—Harry Bridges' longshoremen were booted out of the C.I.O. for Communism; Capt. Bradley's out of the A.F.L. for corruption. "They have a ban on them," Mr. Hoffa noted.

"If there would be an offer made to sit down and discuss the problem," he said, it would first have to be referred to a Teamster convention and the union's executive board, "to give authority to any one of us to talk to Bridges." He added: "Frankly, I don't know him (Bridges). I haven't given it that much thought."

As he strode into a Teamster session at the St. Francis Hotel, it was clear he is still trying hard to avoid expulsion from the A.F.L.-C.I.O. Pressed on the possibility of a quick deal with Mr. Bridges, he said: "My answer to that is that I certainly have no intention of leaving the A.F.L.-C.I.O. . . . which will preclude then any agreement with Harry Bridges." And he is holding off a bit on formal alliance now with Capt. Bradley's Eastern dock union, too: "Our affiliation with the A.F.L.-C.I.O. . . . unless they change their position . . . would prohibit any merger by us with them."

Mr. Hoffa has an Opinion

And it is clear that at this moment, when Mr. Hoffa's position is not yet consolidated, there would be powerful opposition within his own union to hooking up with Harry Bridges.

"I'm not disposed to sit down and work anything out with Harry Bridges," said Einar Mohn, administrative vice president of the Teamsters, in San Francisco for the same session. "We haven't changed our political line from west to east; we don't propose to do it." However, he added, "I think if you're talking about truck drivers and longshoremen, I don't think anyone can gainsay that it would be a powerful alliance."

In building his grand all-transport alliance, which he said should include airlines, railroads and steamships, just where would Jimmy Hoffa begin, then?

"I imagine it will start with the railroads because of the new piggyback," he replied. (Piggyback service takes highway cargo trailers aboard railroad flatcars.) He said a logical place for him to start, as chairman of the Central States Teamster Conference, would be in the Midwest. Among workers involved, he suggested, could be trainmen, switchmen, clerks, telegraphers, and others in the railroad brotherhoods. Others might be airline machinists and air freight cargo handlers. The immediate objective would not necessarily be a merger but some kind of a "council."

Adulation and Denunciation

The smiling Mr. Hoffa was greeted in San Francisco by a crowd of affable Teamster officials, eager to shake his hand. They were paying no attention to fresh "scandal" revelations by Senator McClellan's investigating committee. Said Sandy O'Brien, a vice president from Chicago, who has withdrawn as a candidate for the union presidency in favor of Mr. Hoffa: "I think he's got this thing locked up in such a fashion no one can beat him."

Amidst such adulation, it may surprise Mr. Hoffa to learn that executives of some of the transport unions which he would like to follow his leadership are less than enthusiastic about the idea.

"We're not interested in Mr. Hoffa's proposal, period," snapped Guy L. Brown, grand chief engineer of the 80,000-member Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, headquartered in Cleveland. D. D. Johnson, vice president of the Order of Railway Conductors, declared: "We're not going to get mixed up in anything like that." An official of the Railway Labor Executives Association, which includes the bosses of all the big brotherhoods, remarked: "I doubt very much if we'd ever march off to war under the battle flags of Jimmy Hoffa. We have some good, clean unions and we wouldn't want to get them dirty."

In milder tone, Clarence N. Sayen, president of the Airline Pilots Association in Chicago, said, "I'm skeptical. I don't think we're interested."

About the most favorable reaction immediately available came from G. E. Lighty, president of the Order of Railroad Tele-

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What's News—

Business and Finance

HOME BUILDING activities, lagging for the past year, will be given a shot in the arm shortly. The Eisenhower Administration is about to issue directives aimed at spurring dwelling construction and safeguarding home buyers. To attract more money to the housing field, it is expected that the maximum interest that can be charged by lenders on F.H.A.-insured mortgages will be raised to 5 1/4%, from 5%.

To protect home buyers, discounts—or extra costs to obtain mortgage financing—may be limited to 2 1/2 percentage points under the F.H.A. program instead of being allowed to fluctuate freely. Present indications are that downpayment requirements will not be lowered at this time. But reductions almost certainly will come later this year—perhaps by autumn.

Economic trends apparently are going to be kept under constant Congressional scrutiny. Rep. Mills (D., Ark.) announced the House-Senate Economic subcommittee he heads will hold hearings November 18-27 to determine the Federal spending policies that would contribute most to the nation's economic growth and stability. One of the questions that will be carefully considered, he indicated, is the advisability of stepped-up Federal expenditures to counteract economic downturns. Fifteen panel discussions on various aspects of these problems will be scheduled, with officials from Government, labor and business participating.

Monetary inquiries were pushed yesterday by two other Congressional groups. Chairman Martin of the Federal Reserve Board told the House Banking Committee that inflation is still the No. 1 danger facing the economy. He declared monetary policy has to be geared to encourage savings to catch up with borrowers' needs.

Treasury Under Secretary Burgess again defended the Administration's monetary policies. Testifying before the Senate Finance Committee, he declared inflationary pressures over the past year would have been much worse if interest rates had not firmed up.

The Government will stop buying lead and zinc for the nation's strategic stockpile in the next few months. Defense Mobilizer Gordon Gray served notice to this effect in testimony before the House Ways and Means Committee favoring adoption of an Administration-backed bill to boost U. S. tariffs on lead and zinc. Henry S. Wingate, president of International Nickel Co. of Canada, predicted both the U. S. and Great Britain soon would terminate nickel stockpiling.

Gulf Oil Corp. reduced its crude oil purchases by 20% in Alabama, Louisiana, Mississippi, New Mexico and Oklahoma. It blamed the cutback on overloaded storage facilities. Inventories have been piling up, the company said, partly because of the failure of "demand to increase as forecast."

Ford Motor's Lincoln division started producing its 1958 models this week, with 187 cars slated to come off the line. Edsel division is stepping up its output to 2,131 units, from 1,430 last week. For the industry as a whole, assemblies are indicated at 117,685 cars. This is 1.8% under last week's output, though still 5.8% ahead of a year ago.

Company Notes—
Cities Service Co.—Announced it has made its second oil discovery on a 32,000-acre concession obtained from the Sultan of Muscat and Oman. Richfield Oil Corp. has a 50% participating interest.

Texas & Pacific Railway—Laid off 50 more workers at its Marshall, Texas, car building and repairing departments because of the "current decline" in traffic. This brought total releases in the past three months to about 100.

National Supply Co.—Announced it will acquire Howard Electric Co., Melrose Park, Ill. Howard makes Howardcut, an under-floor wire distribution system for carrying power lines in buildings.

Markets—
Stocks—Volume 1,860,000 shares. Dow-Jones industrials 506.21, off 0.45%; rails 148.74, off 0.70%; utilities 69.78, off 0.14%. London—Financial Times common share index 200.4, off 0.7.

Bonds—Volume \$3,100,000. Dow-Jones 40 bonds 86.22, up 0.09; high grade rails 86.23, up 0.10; speculative rails 84.57, up 0.05; utilities 85.05, up 0.12; industrials 89.03, up 0.10.

Commodities—Dow-Jones futures index 158.76, off 0.26; spot index 162.07, off 0.39.

Earnings—
7 mos. July 31: 1957 1956 1957 1956
Chesapeake & Ohio 337,175,000 333,510,000 \$54.48 \$54.43
Quarter June 30:
Butler Brothers 343,571 339,519 3.34 3.39
Gen. Electric 1,246,426 1,279,257 1.36 1.35
Hovco Co. 1,376,168 1,374,518 1.23 1.26
National Dairy 14,600,000 11,264,564 61.06 61.83
Packard-Hughes 4,574,317 4,697,773 61.23 61.39
4 mos. June 30:
Allan Industries 885,789 875,713 1.44 1.16
American Sealing 432,782 407,275 7.50 7.54
McQuay-Norris 365,264 445,000 31 31.15
Newmont Mining 7,889,394 9,313,368 1.81 1.39
a-On shares at close of period. a-On present shares.

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World-Wide

McClellan CLAIMED the Teamsters paid Joe Louis' hotel bill during Hoffa's trial. The Senate committee chairman said the tab for the ex-heavyweight champion was "apparently paid by union members, and not by Mr. Hoffa directly."

Louis made two appearances in the Washington court and greeted Hoffa, a Teamsters vice president, as a friend. Hoffa was acquitted of bribery and conspiracy by a jury that included eight Negroes.

Lester Washburn, one-time head of the old A.F.L. United Auto Workers, now the Allied Industrial Workers, testified New York racketeer Johnny Dio once worked as an organizer for David Dubinsky's Garment Workers Union with Dubinsky's apparent knowledge.

Washburn also said he believes A.F.L.-C.I.O. President Meany blocked the Teamsters from taking over a racketeer-dominated New York taxi drivers' union in May, 1953. He added the deal was all arranged by union President Beck before Meany apparently intervened.

Teddy Rij, identified by Senate investigators as Dio's ex-bodyguard, took the Fifth Amendment in refusing to say whether he knew Dio. A ponderous but shy man, Rij has been tabbed by the F.B.I. as "extremely dangerous." The committee had billed him as a key witness on Dio's labor activities.

In San Francisco, Hoffa brushed off charges he once worked with Dio in attempting to take over the New York area. He said committee charges against him were "based on rumor, misstatements and misunderstanding." Hoffa, meeting with other union officials to draw up reforms in the Teamsters constitution, said he also hoped to drum up support for his candidacy as union president.

PINEAU JOINED Dulles and Lloyd in London to work out disarmament details. The Western Big Three foreign ministers, meeting for the first time since the Suez war, attempted to break down remaining Western differences on how to win a first-step agreement from Russia. They were joined by David Johnson, Canada's delegate to U. N. disarmament talks.

Pineau, the French foreign minister who flew into London yesterday, announced he will go to Washington September 7 for further talks with Dulles. The purpose of his trip was not explained.

Pineau reported the talks ranged over problems of nuclear test suspension and zones of aerial and ground inspection—the latter "a matter of particular interest to Europeans."

THE SENATE APPROVED compromise defense and agriculture money bills. Repealed passage of the two measures, which were sent to the White House, carried 333,759,800,000 to run the Defense Department for a year and \$3,666,543,747 to operate the Agriculture Department and its farm programs. The Senate also sent the foreign aid authorization bill to a joint conference to thresh out differences between the \$3,117,000,000 House measure and the \$3,637,000,000 Senate version.

The Senate acted with only brief debate after temporarily laying aside the civil rights bill. The White House had warned earlier the armed forces and some Government agencies would not be able to meet their August payrolls unless the bills were approved.

The Senate agreed to vote last night on the jury trial amendment to the civil rights bill and Democratic leader Johnson said he would keep the chamber in session until a vote was reached.

G.O.P. leader Knowland rejected a revision in the amendment to insure that Negroes would be eligible to serve as jurors in Federal courts. He again forecast defeat of the jury trial amendment.

The House Armed Services Committee voted 31-4 to require the civilian secretary of each armed service to determine whether the U. S. has primary jurisdiction in criminal cases involving American servicemen abroad. Rep. Kilday (D., Texas) predicted House passage of the measure, opposed by the Administration, in reaction to GI William S. Girard's trial in Japan.

Defense Secretary Wilson said decisions have been made for about half of a \$2.2 billion economy cutback for the armed services, but "the bad news is not all out yet." More than half of the reduction, he added, will be in the procurement of hardware—probably most of it in aircraft. Defense spending has been running at the rate of \$40.2 billion annually.

Cuban President Batista suspended constitutional guarantees for 45 days, and press censorship was expected to go into effect later. Batista, calling an extraordinary session of his ministers, acted as a general strike closed the city of Santiago in Eastern Cuba, where rebel leader Fidel Castro has his strongest urban following.

An \$36,000 union "peace offering" as compensation for the resignation of Anthony Doria as secretary-treasurer of the A.F.L.-C.I.O. Allied Industrial Workers Union was disclosed in Los Angeles. A union spokesman confirmed the agreement after Doria brought a court attachment action to collect \$25,000, which he says the union owes him as part of the deal. He has been under A.F.L.-C.I.O. fire for alleged corrupt practices.

Communist Czechoslovakia fired its minister of heavy engineering in the first shakeup since the Kremlin ousted its "anti-party" group. The minister, Jan Bukal, was replaced by Josef Reitmajer, minister of foundries and ore mines. No reason was given for the shuffle.

Hungary's Communist government accused a group of Roman Catholic priests of aiding rebels in last fall's revolt. It didn't say how many were under arrest but that they would be brought to trial soon.

The U. S. and Canada formalized the mutual air defense system for the North American continent by establishing a joint high command. It will be located in Colorado Springs with an American general as chief and a Canadian officer as deputy.

Sales and Stocks



MANUFACTURING and trade inventories at the end of May were valued at \$90.1 billion. This compared with \$85.8 billion at the end of May last year. Sales of manufacturers, wholesalers and retailers totaled \$54.7 billion during May as compared with \$54.6 billion a year earlier. It would take 1.59 months to liquidate the present inventory at the May rate of sales. A year ago it would have taken 1.87 months.

Gasoline Made From Rock Makes Cars Go Today in Colorado

It's First Commercial Sale Of "Non-Petroleum" Gas; Wider Marketing Slated

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Staff Reporter of THE WALL STREET JOURNAL
BONANZA, Utah—Motorists pulling into a modern neon-lit service station amid the peach orchards of Fruita, Colo., today will have a unique distinction. They'll be able to fill their fuel tanks with what is billed as America's first commercially-sold gasoline made from a raw material other than crude liquid petroleum.

The gasoline is made from untailed (pronounced "you-in-tah-ite"), better known as Gilsonite, a dark, lustrous rock being mined near this small mountain town by American Gilsonite Co.

Its sale in nearby Fruita marks an early step in what may eventually become large-scale commercial exploitation of vast reserves of solidified oil that are locked inside sprawling deposits not only of this rock but of oil-bearing shale in Utah, Colorado and Wyoming. These deposits are estimated to contain more than one trillion barrels of oil, more than 30 times known U. S. crude petroleum reserves and nearly five times the known petroleum reserves of the entire world.

This week, particles of this solid asphalt-like ore, resembling bits of black glass, began swirling through a pipeline here, churning southward through sage and juniper, crossing not only the Utah-Colorado boundary but deep gorges and shooting up the steep aspen-covered slopes of 8,500-foot Baxter Pass in the towering Book Cliff Mountains. By the time the particles had plunged down to the waiting furnaces of American Gilsonite's new \$16 million refinery at Gilsonite, Colo., they had traveled 72 miles.

Chevron to Sell It
At Gilsonite big silver, black and orange "crackers" and catalytic reformers are now converting the ore into high octane gasoline and a powdery coke.

Beginning August 12 western Colorado Chevron service stations of the California Co., marketing subsidiary of Standard Oil Co. of California, will be selling the gasoline. The Chevron station at Fruita, which will offer it to motorists today, is the first. It will be offered at the same price as petroleum gasoline.

"This operation proves that conventional petroleum products can be made from mineral ores on a commercial basis," says Ernest F. Goodner, president of American Gilsonite Co., headquartered at Salt Lake City. "We feel this opens up almost unlimited possibilities for developing the vast deposits of petroleum-like ores now lying unused."

Untaile is not solidified petroleum, nor is the oil that can be extracted from shale a true petroleum. Their actual origin is a mystery, but geologists speculate that in the geologic past they were hydrocarbon deposits that were gradually being transformed into petroleum. Somewhere along the way, however, their progress was arrested, possibly by some upheaval which forced the deposits to the surface where they solidified. The products that can be refined from these oils, however, are for all practical purposes, no different from those that come from petroleum.

Extraction Was the Problem
Oil men have known about the deposits for years but until recently have been unable to find an economical means for extracting the oil.

The new refinery on the banks of the Colorado River in the lush, green Grand Valley of western Colorado, could be a major step toward realizing the potential of these deposits. "We can lay Gilsonite ore into the refinery at a cost of between \$1.50 and \$2 a barrel, compared with a current crude petroleum price of about \$3.25 a barrel," Mr. Goodner says.

The refinery is processing about 700 tons of Gilsonite a day, turning out 1,300 barrels of gasoline, 275 tons of high grade metallurgical coke for the aluminum and steel industries, 300 barrels of fuel oil, and some gas. The fuel oil and gas are used to meet the refinery's own fuel needs. Mr. Goodner estimates the refinery's capacity can be doubled with the addition of about \$5 million worth of new equipment. Present investment in the refinery, pipeline and mining operations is about \$18 million. The company is marketing its coke at \$30.50 a ton, competitive with ordinary petroleum coke, Mr. Goodner says. Today three carloads of Gilsonite coke are scheduled to leave for an aluminum plant in the Pacific Northwest, the first shipment of coke.

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Washington Wire

A Special Weekly Report From The Wall Street Journal's Capital Bureau

PRESSURES MOUNT for new sweetening of social security next year.
Democrats, Republicans in Congress mass forces for a fifth straight election-year liberalization. Labor people join the push. All demand increased benefits "to keep pace with inflation." House Democrats figure improved social security is the next best vote-getter if the drive to cut income taxes fails. Ike's aides consider proposing mild liberalization to avert drastic action.

Lawmakers reason the public won't accept another boost in social security tax rates yet. They urge taxing more of each year's earnings to finance bigger benefits. Liberalizers consider lowering the age for disability payments, expanding coverage. The A. F. L.-C. I. O. seeks paid medical care for the aged. Ike's advisers warn anything can happen once tinkering with the law begins.

Social Security chiefs refuse to scurry over the system's temporary deficit. They insist they expected it. The administrators figure this year's increased outgo reflects last year's expansion of coverage.

DISARMAMENT TANGLES rule out any agreement soon.

U. S. diplomats bet Western, Russian negotiators will halt London talks to re-study policies. The West needs time to patch its internal split on nuclear disarmament. Experts figure the Soviets must take new stock of Western proposals. Some Dulles aides fear the talks won't move again after a recess. They warn the crucial moment will come when a recess ends.

Washington spots indecision in Soviet disarmament policy. "I don't think even Khrushchev knows what he wants," says a U. S. diplomat. Officials sense a harder Soviet line toward the West since the Kremlin shakeup, though State Department men suspect Zhukov is responsible. They rate him a Russian Redford: Skeptical that arms cuts will aid his nation's security.

Dulles' aides foresee a Soviet policy change if the Socialists upset Adenauer in German elections. They expect new Red blandishments to Germany would follow. Adenauer's rated in front now, but not by much.

AUTUMN FIREWORKS will spring from Congress' heavy investigating schedule.

Major hearings will stretch far beyond regular quelling time. Kefauver's look into pricing policies will branch out into autos, farm machinery, baking. Liberal-conservative splits will flare at House banking hearings. Byrd's fiscal probe is far from finished. House Democrats talk of autumn tax-cut hearings.

The Joint Economic Committee plans a four-day show. Patman's panel will hunt a culprit for rising living costs. Other units will probe Federal spending, statistics programs, farm problems. House groups will explore Federal-state relations, foreign trade policy, trading stamps. Senators schedule a big-city tour to investigate public housing programs.

Junketing legislators will traverse the globe. Capehart heads abroad to check on World Bank operations. Other senators will voyage overseas for on-the-spot scanning of foreign aid.

TREASURY'S HUNT for a successor to retiring Under Secretary Burgess goes on. Fraxier Wilde, Connecticut General Life Insurance president, is out of the running. New York banker Robert Craft turned down the job earlier. The search becomes urgent. Burgess plans to sail for his new N.A.T.O. post in October.

POSTAL RATE RISES stand a chance of squeaking through Congress. Administration strategists aim to tack on a rate increase amendment when a postal pay boost hits the Senate floor. Key Democrats predict the package will pass. Republicans hint Eisenhower will okay a moderate wage increase if mail rates rise.

WEEKS' AIDES chafe at the Small Business Administration's growth. "They'll soon be as big as the old R.F.C.," says one official. "If the S.B.A. takes over all these functions, what's a Commerce Department for?" Weeks' men fear Congress will rubber-stamp S.B.A. fund pleas while slicing their own requests.

F.C.C. PROMISES milder treatment of broadcasting networks than Congress' anti-truststers dealt out. A Communications Commission panel scans network practices for monopoly trends. F.C.C. Chief Doerfer says networks aren't as black as lawmakers paint them. He warns viewers would suffer if stiff curbs were put on broadcasters.

ANDERSON FACES an uphill struggle to keep the national debt under the \$275 billion ceiling. The debt nears \$273 billion. The Treasury will borrow at least \$4 billion by January, though it will pay off some debt by then. Officials say they "haven't decided" if they'll ask Congress for a higher ceiling. Byrd vows he'll block another "temporary" boost.

BENSON MANEUVERS to blunt opposition to his drive for lower price supports. He'll seek power to ease planting curbs right away if crops drop. Aides figure farmer harvests would offset the initial pinch of lower prices of farm income. Benson will hold out hope that controls would die eventually. He'll promise to use crop-cutting power moderately, trim supports to world market levels in easy stages.

Administration strategists aim to exploit splits within commodity groups. They play California cotton growers against Dixie producers in the push for lower fibre props. Officials make the most of inter-crop jealousy. Benson plans to ask authority to lower dairy support floors; spokesmen for major crops complain mandatory dairy props incur heavy losses.

Benson's foes fail to agree on an alternative. Some Democrats plug hard for direct payments to farmers. Others refuse to swallow the idea. Benson's backers take cheer from the opposition's distress.

MINOR MEMOS: The Civil Aeronautics Board probably will hand down a quick decision on air fare rises within a week. . . . Farm officials ponder expanding the soil bank's long-term conservation reserve to make grass land eligible for deposit.

Profit Stability

Corporate Earnings Totals Hold at Highs Despite Soft Spots

Autos, Oils, Office Tools Gain; Paper, Non-Ferrous Metals Fall Behind

Price Hikes Expand Sales

A WALL STREET JOURNAL News Roundup
In spite of soft spots in quite a few industries, corporate earnings for the second quarter hung on to a small gain over 1956, though one even slimmer than the first quarter's thin 7.8% increase. In addition, a similar showing now seems indicated for the third quarter—which would thus continue the successes of the past year and a half in staying even with or slightly above the levels achieved in 1955, when sensational quarterly jumps of 30% or more were scored.

These are the conclusions derived from The Wall Street Journal's quarterly compilation of results of early reporting companies, and from a ten-city survey of prospects for the third quarter in 26 industries.

The compilation, covering 484 companies, showed aggregate net earnings of \$2,545,000,000, up 2.4% from a year earlier. (See tabulation on Page 14.) As in the first quarter, the close resemblance between the totals for the 1957 and 1956 periods concealed wide differences in some industries. Changes ranged from a plunge of 48% in airline profits to a climb of 21% for makers of office equipment. Fifteen groups managed gains from a year ago and eleven had to report declines—though eight of the changes, up or down, amounted to less than 2%.

Profit Margins Steady
The aggregate earnings result was achieved by a similar gain in aggregate sales. A second compilation, covering 137 businesses that reported sales as well as earnings, showed their dollar volume up to \$20,383,000,000 from \$19,185,000,000. Their net income rose in proportion, to \$1,510,000,000 from \$1,441,000,000. The combined profit margin fell only slightly, to 7.4% from 7.7%.

Sales increases, in turn, seem in many cases to have come mainly from price increases rather than gains in physical volume, with price boosts little more than offsetting rises in costs. Typical are two of the greatest corporations in the world, U. S. Steel and General Motors. Big Steel reported dollar sales for the quarter up \$1 million to \$1,170,000,000, while tonnage shipped fell to \$4 million tons from \$3.7 million. G.M.'s figures indicate a similar experience, with dollar sales up \$4 million to \$2,680,000,000 while the number of autos and trucks sold—which account for the bulk of its business—slid off 75,000 to a shade over one million.

Rising Costs a Wide Complaint
Among the industries surveyed, even those enjoying gains in earnings, complaints of rising costs are pretty general. And the outlook for third quarter profits somewhat larger on the whole than a year earlier depends heavily on price increases made since then, together with special factors in steel and autos.

The steels suffered last year from a strike which embraced all of July and part of August. Thus, while production in the current quarter will be below that of this year's second period, because demand has been falling off the last few months, it will far exceed the output a year ago, and so will the quarter's earnings. Of further help is a very recent price increase, on top of the one that followed settlement of the strike almost a year ago. For the second quarter, steel earnings were up just 1% from 1956.

In autos the big factor will be that Chrysler Corp., down six weeks for model changeovers in the last year's third quarter, will have a shorter changeover. Since this company also has enjoyed much better demand for its cars this year than last, its production and earnings ought to be up sharply for the quarter, as they were in the second period.

Ford and General Motors will make more substantial model changes, but these won't take six weeks. Thus, Ford, also enjoying gains so far this year, may likewise continue to report larger earnings than in 1956. G.M., which earned very nearly as much in the second quarter as a year earlier, is a question mark but usually turns in creditable results. The auto and equipment group gained 17% in net in the second quarter.

Running down the list of industries surveyed, here are thumbnail sketches of performance and prospects:

Aircraft makers, which in the second quarter earned almost exactly the same amount as a year earlier, seem likely to do about as well this quarter. The transition caused by cutbacks and stretch-outs in Government orders will hardly begin to hit as soon.

Airlines may well bring in another sharp break in earnings unless they very quickly obtain the fare increase they are seeking. Their traffic and gross revenues are up substantially, but costs are up a lot more.

Building materials producers also may repeat with another earnings drop following their 11% decline of the second quarter. The cement industry was on strike most of July, following rains and even floods which interfered with construction in many parts of the country in earlier months.

Chemical results were mixed with some companies showing gains and others declines, all adding up to a combined increase of less than 2%. Those which reported declines spoke of a cost-price squeeze, with wages and other costs going up and little upward change in prices. However, price increases are beginning to take effect. Du Pont and Allied Chemical having reported profit margins up in the second quarter from the first. This fact may help keep the third quarter showing around the same level as that of a year ago.

Department stores: Sales up and profits little changed are also the story for this group, which



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McClellan Says Teamsters Paid Joe Louis' Hotel Bill During Hoffa Trial; Dio Linked to Garment Workers

Racketeer Was Organizer for Dubinsky-Led Union, Sen- ators Are Told

By a WALL STREET JOURNAL Staff Reporter

WASHINGTON—Chairman McClellan (D., Ark.) of the Special Senate Investigating Committee said Teamster union members paid the hotel bill for former heavyweight champion Joe Louis when he appeared here to greet James R. Hoffa, Teamster vice president, on trial last month in Federal court.

Mr. Hoffa was subsequently acquitted on bribery and conspiracy by a jury that included eight negroes. Since then, Mr. Hoffa has announced his candidacy to succeed Dave Beck as Teamster chief.

Mr. McClellan's charges were dropped in the midst of hearings on labor racketeering in the New York area. At the hearings, Senate investigators were also told convicted New York racketeer John Dioguardi once worked as an organizer for David Dubinsky's International Ladies Garment Workers Union with Mr. Dubinsky's apparent knowledge.

Lester Washburn, former president of the old United Auto Workers, A.F.L., told the committee he sought Mr. Dubinsky's aid in ousting Dioguardi, also known as Johnny Dio, from the old A.F.L.-U.A.W., but no help was forthcoming.

From the host of witnesses who paraded before the committee yesterday Senate investigators heard:

Mr. Washburn credit the A.F.L. president, George Meany, with blocking an attempt in May, 1953, by Mr. Hoffa to bring Mr. Dio into the Teamsters union along with his A.F.L.-U.A.W. Local 102, which was then organizing New York City's 30,000 taxicab drivers.

Such a deal had been worked out by Anthony Doria, secretary-treasurer of the A.F.L.-U.A.W., according to Mr. Washburn, with a Teamster committee headed by Einar Mohn, Dave Beck's executive assistant. But Mr. Meany stepped in and squelched the move.

Hulking 240-pound Theodore (Teddy Ray) Rj, described as Mr. Dio's bodyguard, and Antonio Topazio, secretary-treasurer of a Dio-controlled A.F.L.-U.A.W. local, both invoked the Fifth Amendment in refusing to answer questions relating to him with Mr. Dio.

Mr. Rj is now under indictment with Mr. Dio in the acid-blinding of labor columnist Victor Riesel while Mr. Topazio was convicted of extortion in 1953.

Henry Gasster, one-time New York taxi driver, told of his one-month career as president of another Dio-chartered local. He was arrested shortly after he took office on an extortion charge but acquitted when the key witness balked at testifying. The incident ended his labor career.

Abraham Goldberg of Philadelphia swore he had never been a vice president of still another Dio-controlled local, even though Mr. Dio listed him as such in a report to the Labor Department. This was another example, Chairman McClellan asserted, of how Mr. Dio manipulated affairs of locals through "dummy" officials.

A Defense Maneuver

Sen. McClellan made his statement on Joe Louis' hotel bill after he put into the committee's records a newspaper column which asserted that Mr. Hoffa himself had picked up the bill. Mr. Louis made two appearances in the court room and greeted Mr. Hoffa as a friend.

Observers at the time regarded Mr. Louis' appearance as a maneuver by Mr. Hoffa's defense attorney to help influence some of the negro votes on the jury.

Referring to the newspaper article, Mr. McClellan said "the committee has more information than that." He added the ex-champion's bill was "apparently paid by union members, and not by Mr. Hoffa directly."

Committee Counsel Robert Kennedy then said the investigators had subpoenaed the records of the Woodner Hotel here which showed, according to the lawyer, that accommodations for Mr. Louis were arranged by a "Mr. Baker."

Mr. Kennedy described Mr. Baker as a St. Louis organizer associated with Mr. Hoffa and Harold Gibbons, a St. Louis Teamster leader. Committee aides later identified Mr. Baker as Robert (Barney) Baker, a former boxer himself who works for Mr. Hoffa and Mr. Gibbons, head of the Teamsters warehouse division.

Former Stench Bomb Thrower

The counsel said Mr. Baker, "has been arrested for a number of times for the throwing of stench bombs."

Mr. Louis' hotel bill for one night was sent to Donald Peters at warehousemen's Local 743 of the Teamsters in Chicago, Mr. Kennedy said.

Mr. Washburn was the day's opening witness. He was president until 1954 of the A.F.L.-U.A.W., a different union from Walter Reuther's United Auto Workers, C.I.O. In mid-1955, the A.F.L. union's name was changed to Allied Industrial Workers.

I.G.L.W.U. Chief Dubinsky is also a member of the A.F.L.-C.I.O. Ethical Practices Committee, now in Washington for hearings on the activities of Bakery Workers Union president James Cross. When he was told of Mr. Washburn's testimony, Mr. Dubinsky commented:

"I refuse to get into any discussion with Washburn. If the (Senate) committee will ask me to appear, I will appear."

Mr. Dubinsky also said in his own behalf that he brought a complaint to the A.F.L. Executive Council in May, 1952, to investigate U.A.W. charters granted to Dio-controlled locals. As a result of this complaint the I.L.G.W.U. president said, the charters were lifted.

The Ethical Practices Committee, meanwhile, wound up its investigation of charges that Bakers Union President Cross had misused union funds.

Committee Chairman A. J. Hayes said an

interim report on the Cross case and on similar charges against Teamster Boss Dave Beck would be submitted to the A.F.L.-C.I.O. Executive Council when it meets August 12. He said he would recommend that the council call a special fall meeting to hear the committee's final report.

When asked if the special meeting would be held before the Teamsters' September 30 convention in Miami, Mr. Hayes replied: "I hope so."

Dio Was Reinstated

At yesterday's hearing before the Senators, Mr. Washburn indicated the charters of Mr. Dio's locals were not lifted until 1954 when Mr. Washburn himself fired Mr. Dio and unseated his unions. Mr. Washburn was soon thereafter overruled by the A.F.L.-U.A.W.'s executive board and resigned when Mr. Dio and his locals were reinstated.

Mr. Washburn, who now runs a resort in Wisconsin, was brought before the committee primarily to testify on Mr. Dio's start in the labor movement and his links with Mr. Hoffa. Senate investigators claimed Mr. Hoffa used Mr. Dio and other racketeers to gain control of Joint Council 16, ruling Teamster body in the New York area.

Though Mr. Washburn's testimony on possible links between Mr. Dio and Mr. Dubinsky took attention away from Mr. Hoffa momentarily, the former A.F.L.-U.A.W. chief did say Mr. Hoffa and Mr. Dio were close friends and expressed the view the cocky Teamster official was using Mr. Dio's influence in New York to get himself entrenched in the Teamster's New York organization.

Mr. Washburn also described for the committee how he granted the charter for an A.F.L.-U.A.W. local in 1950 that helped start Mr. Dio on his union career, without knowing that Mr. Dio was at all involved in the local. The witness traced Mr. Dio's rise in the A.F.L.-U.A.W. until the racketeer's supporters were able to topple Mr. Washburn from power in 1954.

A.F.L. Wanted Dio Out

Sometime in 1952, Mr. Washburn testified, he was called into a meeting of George Meany, then A.F.L. secretary-treasurer, and then A.F.L. Vice Presidents Dubinsky and William McFetridge. He said the A.F.L. officials wanted Mr. Dio removed from power in the U.A.W. Mr. Washburn also wanted Mr. Dio ousted, he said, but didn't know how to proceed since all that was known against Mr. Dio at the time was that he was once convicted of extortion.

The former U.A.W. head told the investigators he thought Mr. Dubinsky, a power in New York labor circles, ought to know about Mr. Dio. But he said that Mr. Dubinsky told them he knew nothing about the racketeer except what was in newspaper articles.

"Then I told Dubinsky," Mr. Washburn said, "I had information that Dio once worked for the I.G.L.W.U. and was assigned to help organize a plant at Roanoke, Va."

"Dubinsky became very excited. He told me 'we sometimes employ people to do certain jobs but never let them get into the inner councils of our union.'"

Mr. Washburn said Mr. Dubinsky told him "get rid of Dio. He's no good, get rid of him."

Mr. Washburn told the Senators he regarded this as "sound advice, but not very helpful."

The witness said he understood Mr. Dio was hired by an I.L.G.W.U. vice president whose name he couldn't recall but who was the same vice president who had earlier told the A.F.L.-U.A.W. Mr. Dio was "all right." When Mr. Dubinsky advised him to get rid of Mr. Dio, Mr. Washburn said he wondered why the I.G.L.W.U. president couldn't do it more easily himself or at least help Mr. Washburn out.

"My faith in Dubinsky was shaken," he declared, when he found the I.G.L.W.U. had employed Mr. Dio.

Hard to Get Off the Hook

Mr. McClellan suggested that if Mr. Dubinsky knew about Mr. Dio working for his union, then perhaps Mr. Dubinsky was no longer a "free agent" in trying to run Mr. Dio out of office.

"That's right," Mr. Washburn said. "Once you get involved, it's pretty hard sometimes to get off the hook."

At the conference attended by Mr. Meany, Mr. McFetridge and Mr. Dubinsky, Mr. Washburn said he asked Mr. Dubinsky why the I.G.L.W.U. still retained Sam Berger as a New York union manager. Previous testimony before the Senate committee indicated Mr. Berger helped establish Mr. Dio in an A.F.L.-U.A.W. local in New York City.

According to Mr. Washburn, Mr. Dubinsky then told him Mr. Berger was kept in the I.G.L.W.U. "because we consider him less dangerous in than out of the organization." Mr. Dubinsky fired Mr. Berger early this year.

Hoffa's Statement of Praise

As for Mr. Dio's links with Mr. Hoffa, Mr. Washburn told the committee that after he ousted Mr. Dio from the A.F.L.-U.A.W. in 1954, the Teamster vice president issued a statement praising the racketeer.

Mr. Hoffa's statement, according to the former A.F.L.-U.A.W. official, said "in effect the charges against Dio were rather silly and

and there was no truth to them."

Mr. McClellan said he wondered if Mr. Hoffa knew about Mr. Dio's labor racketeering activities. Replied Mr. Washburn: "Well if I knew and could find out, certainly Jimmy Hoffa could, and probably did."

Counsel Kennedy then wanted to know on what grounds Mr. Washburn had said Mr. Dio and Mr. Hoffa were close friends.

"From my information," Mr. Washburn answered, "Hoffa considered Johnny Dio his friend. They were together at numerous meetings. I attended such as A.F.L. conferences. Hoffa and Dio hung around together and as associated together socially, too."

Why was Mr. Hoffa friendly with Mr. Dio, Mr. Washburn was asked. His reply: "I say from what has developed since that Jimmy Hoffa has had his eye on the presidency of the Teamsters and was looking to enlarge his field of support."

"He knew that Johnny Dio was strong in certain labor forces in New York and could help him get support from the Teamsters in New York. That's how I got beat in the U.A.W. being undermined by Dio."

No Interest in Workers' Benefits

Sen. Mundt (R., S. D.) asked why racketeers like Mr. Dio want to get into labor unions.

"Well," Mr. Washburn said, "I imagine to benefit from shakedowns from employers and lush living off union dues and for the political power they can wield." He said Mr. Dio wanted to make labor unions a "business" and had no interest in benefits for workers.

Earlier, Mr. Washburn was questioned on the charter he granted to Local 102 of the A.F.L.-U.A.W. in 1950, the union that Mr. Dio used as his stepping stone to bigger things in the labor movement. Mr. Washburn said he didn't know at the time Mr. Dio was financing the local. He was told the charter was sought by a group that wanted to quit a C.I.O. union because they considered it Communist dominated.

Underworld Money

The first time he realized that Johnny Dio was involved, the witness testified, "was when I found out he more or less muscled in and pushed" the local's president out. Was Mr. Dio's personal financing of the local the customary way to pay a union's way, asked Counsel Kennedy. "No it isn't the custom," Mr. Washburn replied. "That's what made me curious." He said he thought the money Mr. Dio was putting up to finance "he union was 'mob money—underworld money—rather than Dio's money.'"

Mr. Washburn said he was so disgruntled with Mr. Dio when he heard the New York racketeer held a half interest in a non-union dress shop at the same time he was paying the local's way. "I raised hell about it with Dio," the witness told the committee, "and he thereafter sold his interest, or at least said he sold it."

Canadian Steel Output

OTTAWA—Canadian pig iron output was higher in June but steel ingots were lower.

Bureau of Statistics reports pig iron production at 329,427 tons up 8.5% from 303,118 tons a year before, ingots totaled 417,895 tons down 4% from 435,377.

In the half year pig iron output was 11.2% higher at 1,822,419 tons against 1,727,654 tons and steel ingots were up 2.3% to 2,415,971 tons against 2,356,446.

Government Employees Insurance
WASHINGTON—Government Employees Insurance Co. reported six months' net profit this year of \$1,283,406, up from \$1,188,468 in the like period last year. Underwriting profit for the 1957 period, \$1,818,283, showed a decline of about \$224,000 from a year earlier. Investment profit rose \$164,400 to \$472,403. Federal income tax provision of \$1,007,300 was \$148,414 less than in the 1956 period.

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New Federal Rules to Spur Home Building Due Soon; FHA Interest Rate Limit May Be Raised $\frac{1}{4}\%$ to $5\frac{1}{4}\%$

Discounts May Be Set at $2\frac{1}{2}\%$ On FHA-Backed Loans, Up to 5% on VA Ones

By Monroe W. Karmis
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WASHINGTON—The Eisenhower Administration is about to issue new orders to spur home building and protect home buyers.

An announcement should be forthcoming soon, perhaps today. While no final decisions have been made, talks with Federal officials indicate these possible developments:

A boost to $5\frac{1}{4}\%$ from 5% in the maximum interest rate that can be charged by lenders on home mortgages insured by the Federal Housing Administration.

Discounts—or extra costs to obtain mortgage financing—under the F.H.A. program would be limited to a maximum of $2\frac{1}{2}\%$ in some parts of the country and lesser amounts in other areas instead of being allowed to fluctuate freely.

Wider Latitude on Some Loans

Discounts of home loans guaranteed by the Veterans Administration would be given a wider latitude—perhaps up to as much as 5% in some areas—than their F.H.A. counterparts. The present $4\frac{1}{2}\%$ interest rate ceiling on V.A.-backed loans cannot be raised under present law.

Interest rates on short-term bank loans obtained by builders to finance preliminary construction work on F.H.A.-insured projects would have a ceiling of 6 percent instead of being allowed to rise with the market.

Unless there's a last-minute change in thinking, these actions would be put into effect under a new housing law signed by President Eisenhower last month. The law also gave F.H.A. Commissioner Mason power to reduce further minimum down payments required on mortgages insured by that agency.

That issue is being hotly debated right now. The decision could go either way. Until this week, the odds were weighted heavily against lowering down payments now. The Treasury, the President's Council of Economic Advisors, the Budget Bureau and the Federal Reserve Board all lined up against the move on the ground that it would add to already strong inflationary forces in the economy.

Pressure From Lawmakers

Under pressure from lawmakers and builders, however, Administration officials are wavering in their stand. "We haven't decided that one yet," declared one informed official. If the Administration decides to hold to earlier

inclinations, as still seems likely, lower down payments almost certainly would come later this year—perhaps by autumn.

"You have just a certain amount of ammunition," explained one Administration strategist, "and you want to use it when it'll be most effective." He hints that autumn may be the best time to catch the 1958 building season.

Administration thinking on interest rates and discounts seems to have pretty well jelled, however. The F.H.A. and V.A. have regulated interest rates on the mortgages they back for years, but since the 1954 housing act there has been no form of discount control. Prior to that, the 1950 housing act required the F.H.A. to prohibit discounts entirely.

Discounting of mortgages means the issue or sale of those mortgages for an amount less than face value so that the yield to the person holding the mortgage is increased above the interest rate set on the mortgage.

One Official's Explanation

"Congress did not intend us to reform the normal functions of industry," explains one official familiar with the new discount regulations, "but just to stop people from taking advantage of a situation."

He frankly concedes discount control is an "impossible job" because it's too easy for buyers, sellers and lenders to skirt regulations. "It didn't work before," this official notes. Still, he says, the new controls will try to create a par (face value) market or close to par market in some areas of the country. Right now the F.H.A. figures the market for its mortgages is in the $5\frac{1}{2}\%$ interest rate range.

To meet this market, F.H.A. officials have just about decided to boost their interest rate ceiling to $5\frac{1}{4}\%$ and set a small range—up to a $2\frac{1}{2}\%$ point maximum—of "reasonable" discounts. Present law allows the F.H.A. commissioner to raise the interest rate ceiling to as high as 6% if he deems it necessary to meet the market.

If they do not raise the interest ceiling, officials figure they would have to permit a much larger range of discounts to meet the current $5\frac{1}{2}\%$ market. And, one authority declares, "people just don't like big discounts."

Higher Rate Preferred

Further, the thinking runs that a higher interest rate is easier on the home buyer than a big discount. Though F.H.A. rules prohibit a home buyer from paying a discount directly, builders commonly figure the cost of the discount into the sales price of the home, thereby, indirectly passing the discount on to the buyer. The F.H.A., in contrast to the V.A., does not regulate sales prices of homes with mortgages insured under its programs.

A discount of $2\frac{1}{2}\%$ on a \$10,000 25-year

mortgage, for example, would amount to \$250—deductible in a lump sum from the face value of the mortgage. "That's an out-of-pocket cost," explains one official. A boost to $5\frac{1}{4}\%$ from 5% in the interest rate on the same mortgage, on the other hand, would increase a home buyer's monthly principal and interest payments to \$60 from \$58.50. "A home buyer has a fighting chance to escape this added interest if he refinances his mortgage or sells his house," this official notes.

V.A.-guaranteed mortgages work differently. Present law prohibits lenders from charging interest rates higher than the present $4\frac{1}{2}\%$ ceiling. The Administration's request to Congress for a higher limit this year fell on deaf ears. So, to make V.A.-backed mortgages competitive with their F.H.A. counterparts, it's likely a wider range of discounts would be permitted—perhaps to as much as 5% .

Still, it's felt this will not be enough to bring V.A.-guaranteed loans up to the current $5\frac{1}{2}\%$ percent going-market interest rate. The V.A. home loan guaranty program for World War II veterans is scheduled to expire next July, however, and apparently the Administration has decided there's little it can do but let the program die out gradually.

Added Detail in Discounts

There's an added detail involved in the regulation of discounts. In normal practice, when a builder can't get a firm commitment for a mortgage from a lender, he many times takes what is called a "stand-by commitment." This stand-by promise of money enables him to arrange for short-term construction financing from a bank and begin building. Stand-by commitments generally involve wider discounts than firm commitments.

Apparently, the F.H.A. has decided to handle discounts on stand-by commitments on an individual basis—that is, the $2\frac{1}{2}\%$ maximum would not apply and builders would be required to obtain approval of discounts on stand-bys when they submit their applications for mortgage insurance. It's understood the V.A., however, would decide not to regulate stand-by commitments.

The F.H.A. has not controlled short-term construction financing since 1954. Under the 1950 housing act, however, the F.H.A. set a 5% limit on these loans. The new ceiling is expected to be 6% . Builders generally get bank loans—not insured by the F.H.A.—to finance preliminary construction work. These short-term construction loans are paid off when permanent mortgage financing is arranged.

Washington at Work

Congress

Football: Professional football commissioner Bert Bell told a House Judiciary subcommittee that he was willing to have the National Football League recognize a players' union. Several employer spokesmen, however, questioned Mr. Bell's right to make this commitment.

Economic Probe: Under Secretary of the Treasury Burgess, continuing on the stand in the Senate Finance Committee's economic investigation, defended recent Administration monetary policy as heading off even worse inflation.

Mining: Spokesmen for several Administration agencies urged the House Ways and Means Committee to approve a bill to boost U. S. import taxes on lead and zinc, and spokesmen for mine owners and other groups urged the committee to go beyond the Administration's plan.

Textile Labeling: The House Commerce Committee approved a bill (H.R. 498) to require compulsory labeling of fibre content in textile products. Furniture and household goods would be exempt.

Niagara Power: The House passed a bill authorizing the New York State Power Authority to build a \$600 million power project at Niagara Falls. A similar bill is pending in the Senate.

Inflation: Federal Reserve Board Chairman Martin, testifying before the House Banking Committee, re-stated his view that inflation is the major danger facing the economy.

Meat Packers: A spokesman for the Western States Meat Packers Association, testifying before the House Agriculture Committee, supported legislation to switch authority over meat packers trade practices from the Agriculture Department to the Federal Trade Commission.

Merchant Marine: Federal Maritime Administrator Morse urged a House Merchant Marine subcommittee to approve legislation extending the ship trade-in program and asking requirements more flexible.

Carpets: The House Rules Committee held hearings but took no action on a bill to suspend import duties on certain types of coarse wool used in carpet manufacturing.

Broadcasting: The House Rules Committee held hearings but took no action on proposals to authorize the House Commerce Committee to investigate recent instances of song censorship by major networks.

Steel: Chairman Kefauver (D., Tenn.) announced the start of Senate Judiciary subcommittee hearings on price patterns in the steel industry would be postponed to August 8 from August 6.

Federal Workers: Chairman Byrd (D., Va.) of the Joint Committee on Reduction of Non-essential Federal Spending reported Uncle Sam's civilian workers numbered 2,401,292 in June, an increase of 8,000 over the preceding month.

Appropriations: The Senate passed and sent to the White House two compromise appropriations bills providing \$33.8 billion for the Defense Department and \$3.7 billion for the Agriculture Department for the present fiscal year.

Bureaus

Cobalt 60: The Atomic Energy Commission cut prices for radioactive Cobalt 60 to spur use of the radioisotope in industry, medicine and research.

Strikes: The Labor Department reported strikes in the first six months of this year idled fewer workers for less man-days than in the like period of any other post-war period.

Rice: The Agriculture Department boosted price supports for this year's rice crop to \$4.72 per hundred pounds from the preliminary level of \$4.43 announced last November.

Most Appropriations Unit Members in House Oppose Budget Proposal

Representatives Issue Letter to Colleagues Calling for Defeat Of Accrued Expenditures Bill

By WALL STREET JOURNAL Staff Reporter

WASHINGTON—Thirty-eight of the 50 members of the House Appropriations Committee called on their House colleagues to reject the so-called "accrued expenditures budget bill."

They declared the bill would increase rather than actually reduce Government spending.

The bill would provide that Congress appropriate each year for each program only as much as is actually going to be spent that year. At present, Congress appropriates all at once the cost of a program, even though it's to be spent over several years.

The budget bill, which was recommended by the Hoover Commission and is backed by the Administration as a means of getting better control over Federal spending, has already passed the Senate. In the House, it has been approved by the House Government Operations Committee and the House Rules Committee and there are heavy pressures on the House leadership to bring the bill up for a floor vote before adjournment.

The fight against the bill has in past years been led by House Appropriations Committee Chairman Cannon (D., Mo.) and Rep. Taber of New York, ranking Republican on the committee. Yesterday, the panel made public a letter against the bill to all House members signed by all members of the Appropriations Committee except six of the 30 Democrats and six of the 20 Republicans.

"We think that the bill is bad and ought to be defeated," the letter said. "The bill would tend to confuse the economy issue and increase Government spending, make it easier to get Congress to grant authority to obligate the Government."

The opponents argued that instead of the present system of appropriating the entire cost of a program, Congress would have to vote authority to the Administration to enter into long term contracts. "The Government would still be obligated for the completion of the long range programs," they declared. "It would put the Government into installment buying, a practice which in personal operations has led millions of families into over-spending."

The lawmakers said, "The only way to cut spending is to reduce appropriations and the granting of obligatory authority. It cannot be done by shenanigans and bookkeeping schemes."

Congress Plans Study of Federal Spending's Effect on Our Economy

By WALL STREET JOURNAL Staff Reporter

WASHINGTON—A Congressional committee announced plans for a full study of the impact of Federal Government spending on the economy.

A House-Senate Economic subcommittee headed by Rep. Mills (D., Ark.) said it would attempt to determine the Federal spending policies which over the long run would contribute most to the nation's economic growth and stability. From November 18 through November 27 the subcommittee will hear 15 panel discussions on various aspects of this problem with economists, businessmen, lawyers, labor officials and others participating.

The subcommittee will go into such questions as the extent to which high Federal spending policies contribute to inflation, the advisability of stepped-up Federal spending to counteract economic downturns, the level of Government that can best carry on various types of programs and similar subjects.

Meanwhile, two other Congressional groups continued hearings in the monetary and fiscal field.

Federal Reserve Board Chairman Martin told the House Banking Committee inflation is still the number one danger facing the economy. He declared monetary policy has to be geared to permitting savings to catch up with the demand for money.

Monetary Policy Defended

And Treasury Under Secretary Burgess again defended, in testimony before the Senate Finance Committee, the Administration's general monetary policies, asserting that any easier credit over the past year would have made recent inflationary pressures much worse.

Announcing the Joint Economic subcommittee hearings, Mr. Mills noted that the amount and types of Federal spending have significant consequences for the country's economic development and stability. These consequences, he said, should be considered in determining Federal spending programs. Accordingly, he declared, the subcommittee will study the subject in order "to formulate the economic criteria which will be helpful guiding future Federal spending policies."

Mr. Mills has recently been advocating a considerable reduction in Federal spending both to help check inflationary pressures and to pave the way for sizable tax relief. Hearings he held earlier this year on a desirable tax policy for 1957 produced the conclusion that taxes could not be cut nor could credit be relaxed without a sizable reduction in Federal spending first taking place.

The subcommittee in 1955 held similar hearings on Federal tax policy, which have had considerable influence on Congressional policy on taxes since then. The chairman said that, as with the earlier tax study, the experts who will testify on Federal spending will first submit papers which will be published in mid-October, and then will discuss these papers at the November hearings.

In yesterday's sessions, both Mr. Martin and Mr. Burgess were questioned at length on inflation and the Treasury's recent refinancing transaction. They agreed that inflation is a threat and that the refunding was handled as well as it could have been.

Mr. Martin was asked why the Treasury couldn't have issued bonds in its refinancing that carried a lower interest rate than 4%. The witness said the only way this could have been done would have been for the F.R.B. to buy up most of the issue itself. In this case, he said, the money would have been "pumped into the already-swollen money stream" making the board "an engine of inflation."

Sen. Kerr (D., Okla.), who continued his questioning of Mr. Burgess a second day, took a somewhat different tack, in effect claiming that Reserve Board holdings of Treasury securities were too high. This, he said, proved

the board was not as independent of the Treasury as the Administration claimed.

Mr. Burgess replied that such holdings were not a measure of the board's independence. He termed the F.R.B.'s acceptance of new securities in the latest refinancing as perfectly proper since it held a large part of the maturing issues.

Board Advised of Financing

The Undersecretary conceded the Treasury does advise the Reserve Board of its problems in connection with each new financing issue and that the F.R.B. has always indicated that the Treasury's financing problems are kept in mind in fixing general reserve policy on market operations. However, he insisted, the Treasury has always recognized the independence of the board.

Mr. Kerr charged that since 1952, total Government business and consumer debt had increased 23%, but total interest payments on this debt had gone up over 47%. He and Sen. Gore (D., Tenn.) agreed this higher interest payment was bound to be reflected in higher prices and that it was a primary source of today's inflationary pressures.

"You have inflation right now," Mr. Burgess replied. "If you pour out a lot more money you just put it through the roof." He argued that the higher interest rate resulted from a tremendous demand for money and that "any additional increase in the volume of credit at this time is bound to be inflationary."

Mr. Kerr said he was just as opposed to a "flood of credit" as to the "present drought." But, he added he did feel the Reserve Board could make considerably more credit available at present.

Mr. Burgess replied that further inflation would penalize most of the very people Mr. Kerr was claiming he wanted to help. When the Oklahoma Senator said the cost of living was still going up and that this proved high interest rates hadn't checked inflation, Mr. Burgess said the inflation would have been far worse, "if you followed a contrary policy and poured out money to keep these rates low." He said he felt the Federal Reserve Board was "trying to stop this thing before it goes too far. Then we can ease off without too big a drop."

Reserve Policy Defended

Defending the Reserve Board's policy of credit restraint, Mr. Martin said the economic problem today is a high level of business activity with no shortages except in savings. He said the volume of borrowing should not get to the point where it interferes with market adjustments.

Asked why prices in some industries keep rising even though they aren't operating at full capacity, the chairman said in the short run there may be some prices that don't respond to supply and demand conditions. Eventually, however, he said, "the flood gates of supply and demand will operate."

The Reserve Board chief told the committee the F.R.B. "is doing everything it can to combat inflation and to prevent excesses in the economy that would eventually lead to difficulties." If high interest rates weren't in effect, Mr. Martin said, there would be "further erosion of the dollar and increased cost of living." Prices would be higher today if the board had not recognized the supply and demand conditions in the money market and acted to break excessive borrowing, he asserted.

"We have within our grasp now a higher standard of living for everyone if we don't fritter away our money" on expenditures that don't reflect real savings, he declared.

Mr. Martin said one philosophy that should be knocked down is the idea inflation is inevitable. "If you want to impoverish the American people, the surest way to do it is along that course," he said.

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The presently owned and producing oil properties will be operated under the name "Brinsmere Oil Company," the Company's investment activities will be conducted as the "Investment Division," and "Bauer-Schweitzer Malting Co., Inc." will continue as a wholly-owned subsidiary.

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REVIEW and OUTLOOK

Knife At The Jugular

The Teamsters Union already has the power to paralyze the nation's trucking at its whim. The International Longshoremen's Association run by Captain Bradley can strangle shipping on the East and Gulf Coasts. Harry Bridges' International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union can shut down West Coast ports.

All that is bad enough, but consider the nightmare if these three colossi of monopoly power were to join hands. That nightmare may easily become a reality. This newspaper reports today the ambitions of the Teamsters' Jimmy Hoffa for a transportation empire; yesterday we outlined the shape of the possible merger of the Teamsters with the two dock unions.

Both Bridges and Bradley are interested in hooking up with the Teamsters, which may be run by Jimmy Hoffa when Dave Beck is formally deposed. The only snag is Bradley's assertion, for the record, that he doesn't think his membership will want to tie in with the West Coast dock union because of Bridges' Red-tinted past. But that is a difficulty the redoubtable Captain can doubtless overcome.

In its way this combine would be a highly logical development. Bradley's I.L.A. was kicked out of the A.F.L. for being gangster-run. The C.I.O. gave Bridges' I.L.W.U. the boot. If the Teamsters make Hoffa their president, the merged A.F.L.-C.I.O. will almost certainly bounce that union.

But what's the A.F.L.-C.I.O. compared to a combine of the three out? Harry Bridges put it succinctly: "If the Teamsters and the two dock unions got together they'd represent more economic power than the combined A.F.L.-C.I.O. . . . An economic squeeze and pressure can be exerted that puts any employer in a very tough spot. . . . If the A.F.L.-C.I.O. meets us head-on, we'd knock the stuffings out of them." There is no reason at all to doubt the accuracy of Mr. Bridges' observations.

This naked thrust for almost total control of the nation's economy ought to dispel a couple of sentimental delusions. One is the notion that if the unions are just left alone they can police themselves and clean up.

A Little Goes A Long, Long Way

The findings of Dr. Gallup's recent poll that people are opposed to the four-day week may surprise Mr. Walter Reuther and the other labor leaders who see that as a future demand on industry.

But they really shouldn't be too startled. For even though most of the men who were queried voted the idea

The East Coast I.L.A. didn't. It is still tied to gangsters; extortion and murder are still its tools. Nor did the West Coast union remove its leader despite the charges of Communism. Now the Teamsters, even after all the Beck scandals, are seriously considering electing a man who, according to the McClellan committee, conspired with racketeers to put a stranglehold on the Port of New York; Mr. Hoffa also faces further charges in the courts following his recent acquittal on bribery charges.

The answer, so obvious it should hardly need to be stated, is that the unions' membership can't clean their houses because they themselves are in the power of the all-powerful bosses.

A second delusion is that local police power can deal with unions. It plainly hasn't. It never stopped the rackets and the killings in the Port of New York; it hasn't halted Teamster thuggery in city after city. One difficulty is that the jurisdiction of the union often extends beyond that of the local police.

But the basic reason for the breakdown of most efforts to check unions is that union leaders, alone of the citizenry, are beyond the reach of many of the nation's laws. As Dean Roscoe Pound noted in a recent series of articles on this page, union bosses enjoy a host of immunities from the laws that bind down all other men. They can trespass with impunity, destroy property, deny fundamental rights to workers, conspire—all without effective legal remedy.

And the greatest of all immunities is the unions' unique exemption from the antitrust laws. Without this monopoly power, neither the East nor West Coast, nor the nation's trucking could be immobilized overnight. Without this power, these three could not combine to put the nation at their mercy. Only the Congress of the United States can remove that power.

No association of men can always be sure that a thug will not temporarily take over. But the community as a whole can still guarantee, if it will act in time, that no man is allowed to hold a knife at the nation's jugular.

A Mere Matter of \$25 Million

Saudi Arabia is a pretty warm place but nobody there is quite as hot as some Congressmen in Washington are right now about the little matter of \$25 million in foreign aid to King Saud.

It seems that when the King was here early this year negotiations were begun to grant Saudi Arabia that much money from the 1957 foreign aid funds, and talks were started about where the money could best be spent for the country's economy. Naturally, there were some strings to the spending. The U. S. thought most of the funds ought to go to development of Damman, a port near the U. S. air base at Dhahran. The Saudis were willing to spend some there, but wanted the balance spent for other purposes.

Ambassador Wadsworth made a number of trips to the king's desert palace to try to induce the king to take the money. But the king was reported preoccupied with other matters and the June 30 deadline passed.

None of that makes the Congressmen mad. What has them hot as a Bedouin is the fact that the State Department is back asking Congress to grant the amount of money again in the hopes that King Saud can be induced to accept it.

The International Cooperation Administration was wise to put some strings on the grant, considering the account of one item of foreign aid to

Saudi Arabia dug up by the Hoover Commission. In 1953, I.C.A.'s predecessor, the Foreign Operations Administration, asked Saudi Arabia what the U. S. could do to help and the king suggested a vast bathhouse for pilgrims on their way to Mecca.

The bathhouse was to cost around \$300,000 and to include steam sterilizers for the pilgrims' robes and prayer rugs. A site was chosen, work was begun and then F.O.A. technicians discovered that there wasn't enough water there to run the steam sterilizers. The project was abandoned.

It may be that some similar strange idea of Saudi Arabia's economic needs led to the lack of agreement which ended in the failure of King Saud to pick up that \$25 million check.

But we can understand the King's disinterest in the aid, considering the fact that he takes in some \$250 million a year in oil revenues. What we find difficult is the insistence of the State Department that Congress also should insist on giving away that \$25 million by making it again available to Saudi Arabia.

And considering all the circumstances, the best thing Congress can do with that unwanted \$25 million is to make it and more available to the taxpayers by refusing to appropriate money for foreign aid that foreigners don't want.

today, but he could not see a need for further stockpiling.

"I think the U. S. and Britain will go completely out of the market, and will try to divert nickel to civilian industry," Mr. Wingate said.

"If we don't go to sleep on the job," he added, "the gap between the present total annual consumption of 375 million pounds and the expected annual production—in 1960—of 675 million pounds can be closed."

New Inco mines in northern Manitoba would increase company production to 385 million pounds in 1961 from the 1956 production of 285 million pounds.

However, potential civilian markets could include the automotive field and other industries using stainless steel, coinage, atomic energy projects, and electronics and radar fields.

He said at present no thought is being given to lowering the price of nickel and such a move, he believed, would at this time be dangerous. Inco will continue to scour Canada for more deposits, Mr. Wingate said.

Soft Coal Production

WASHINGTON—The National Coal Association estimated soft coal production in the week ended July 27 at 10,125,000 tons compared with 10,080,000 tons the week before and 9,090,000 tons a year earlier.

Output through July 27 this year was estimated at 279,916,000 tons compared with 280,859,000 tons in the like span a year ago.

Letters To the Editor

Faster Than Fast

Editor, The Wall Street Journal:
The Jet Age, with the technical assistance of the Journal, has at last swooped down upon us at full thrust, but I am afraid those of us here on the West Coast are in for a panic.

I respectfully refer you to the article on page one of your July 22 issue, in which your staff reporter predicts the 2,000 mile an hour airline schedule of the future. In particular, note the third paragraph which I quote:

"Aboard such craft, travelers could zip from New York to Los Angeles in about 90 minutes. . . . A man could see the sun set at New York's Idlewild Airport, hop aboard one of these super-liners and observe the sun rising again (in the west) because he would be streaking faster than the earth itself revolves."

If we assume that the sun sets in New York at 6:00 p.m. (3:00 p.m. in Los Angeles), and we take off at once, 90 minutes later we would arrive in Los Angeles (at 4:30 p.m.) to be greeted by a phenomenon I feel certain would snap the thin thread by which we hold on to this old mud ball—the sun would be rising just as the day shift at the International Airport is catching the bus for home.

Please, sir, tell us that the Congress has abolished the Internal Revenue Code, or that General Motors failed to declare any dividends for 1957, but if you cannot get our sun up until 4:30 in the afternoon, then stop everything and I'll get off—but I'll take my Journal with me.

ROBERT HAMMOND
North Hollywood, Calif.

[If the Jet Age does produce 2,000 mile per hour planes, there will be confusion aplenty—but the blame is not The Wall Street Journal's. For good or ill, it will be true that such an airliner, taking off from the East Coast just after sunset there, will be flying westward faster than the earth rotates. So inevitably it will "catch up" with the sun before reaching the West Coast. When it does, a passenger will suddenly see the sun rising in the west. Down on the ground, of course, things will be just as they always were.—Ed.]

Transfer Loss

Editor, The Wall Street Journal:
Your Business Bulletin headed "Being Transferred?" (July 25) was surprising. Firms paying "van," traveling and extra allowances, of course, deserve commendations. Such expenses are quite obvious. But should it be concluded that no company (not even the Quaker City chemical firm) pays for the major loss to many employees who relocate?

Assume Mr. A. bought an eight-room house for \$25,000 and did nothing but maintain it. Now, five years later, he is transferred and sells his house for the same price through a real estate agent and a 5% fee. In my humble opinion he is clearly out \$1,500.

It is quite apparent that the dollar figure increased but, from Mr. A.'s standpoint, the real value did not. Under normal conditions the difference between replacement cost and sale price would be substantial and represent the true depreciated value. In my book an agent's fee represents a necessary cost but a total loss to the transferee.

I'm not a long haired radical—just an industrial cost engineer.

W. BENNETT SHARP, JR.
Mountain Lakes, N. J.

England Series

Editor, The Wall Street Journal:
You deserve special praise for the excellent series of articles from England by Mr. William Henry Chamberlin. These provide the best picture of what is happening in the United Kingdom that has been provided for many years on this side of the Atlantic.

GLADSTONE MURRAY
Toronto, Canada

Two Doctrines

Editor, The Wall Street Journal:
In your transcript of the President's news conference of July 17 a most illuminating difference between communism and capitalism is brought out in a reference by the President to a remark by Zhukov that "capitalism appeals to everything that is selfish about a man."

The inference is that selfishness (interest in one's self) is a bad thing. Perhaps better words and a better comparison is "self interest" as against the "selflessness" of communism.

Communism tells the individual that he must forget himself and work for the state—for his fellow man—regardless of his own self interest.

Capitalism tells a man in effect to have self interest. Capitalism encourages a man to do the best he can for himself with due regard for the rights of his neighbors and fellow citizens.

If every citizen of a capitalist country has his own self interest at heart and does his very best for himself and succeeds in bettering himself, his very success helps his neighbors, his fellow citizens and his country. If all in our country go forward, the country goes forward.

Contrasted with the success of this doctrine is the failure of the communist doctrine—a man will just rot work as hard, save as much, do as good or be as exacting when he does not benefit directly from his work.

It has always been the foolish idea of the intellectual planner that, if the individual will give up some freedom, he can get more for the state out of the less intellectually gifted citizen than the citizen is willing to do for himself. It just ain't so, never has been and never will be so.

So I don't think that the President should have had any trouble at all in arguing the capitalist case with General Zhukov.

J. A. SHARTLE
Troy, Ohio

Colonial Trust Negotiations

NEW YORK—A spokesman of Chesapeake Industries, Inc., said negotiations were under way for the sale of Colonial Trust Co., small New York City bank, and completion of the transaction may be announced next week.

The diversified management company owns nearly 95% of the capital stock of Colonial, a state-chartered bank with some \$70 million in deposits.

Unity Pushers

Despite Their Individualistic Background, the Dutch Now Plug a Togetherness Theme for West Europe

BY WILLIAM HENRY CHAMBERLIN

THE HAGUE—Four centuries ago the Netherlands fought and finally won a war against the military power of Spain for independence and the free practice of religion. Today the Dutch are strong advocates of maximum unity among the free peoples of Europe.

This development is not difficult to explain. The Dutch still have as distinct a national character and as many traditions as any other European nation. They were successfully neutral in World War I and they tried desperately to remain neutral in World War II. But they were overrun by Hitler's armored legions and endured the ordeal of foreign occupation, stern at best and leading to a climax of hunger and near starvation in the last winter of the war.

That experience, as much as anything else, turned the Dutch into proponents of unity. They see no security for an isolated small nation under modern military and political conditions. They believe, although with some reservations, that their economic future will be more assured within the framework of the proposed European common market and the free trade area which is supposed to supplement the common market.

The Dutch have been active, constructive participants in the many alphabetical organizations which have promoted European consultation and which may some day be regarded in retrospect, as milestones on the long road to European unity. These include O.E.E.C., the economic organization of West European states which came into existence at the time of the Marshall Plan; N.A.T.O., the military alliance which links Western Europe with America, Britain and Canada; W.E.U., the seven-nation combination that finally found a formula for authorizing German rearmament after France had repudiated its own project, the E.D.C.

Voices of Doubt

Now, the Dutch mostly look with favor on two new projects aimed at closer cooperation between the six nations of what is sometimes called Little Europe—France, Germany, Italy, the Netherlands, Belgium and Luxembourg. These projects are the common market and the atomic energy pool. One does hear voices of doubt and even dissent on the common market, not because it goes too far (the Dutch are among the most consistent free traders in the world) but because it does not go far enough.

One feature of the common market which arouses misgiving here is the provision for a common tariff, set by averaging present tariff rates of the six members, on goods from without the six nations. This means the Netherlands will be obliged to raise its present very low tariff, which in turn will mean higher prices and demands for increased wages. Other provisions of the very complicated common market treaty which are not viewed with enthusiasm here are the obligation to buy and invest in French overseas territories, just when France may be fighting a losing last-stand battle in Algeria, and the strain of finding investment capital for Southern Italy.

It is felt that there are too many loopholes and escape clauses, that France was allowed to collect too high a price for its consent to go along with the scheme. But

political considerations, plus the realization that the common market would give the Netherlands preferred access to 160 million customers, seem to have tipped the scales for acceptance. One Dutch diplomat, after reciting a number of disadvantages in the scheme, remarked that anything calculated to bring Germany and France closer together was worth supporting.

A former cabinet minister used the following argument: "It makes no sense to keep France out of the arrangement because you don't like French protective and restrictive policies. The only way to change France's policies is to take France in."

As regards N.A.T.O., the Dutch are not happy about a number of developments of the last years—the withdrawal of French troops to North Africa, the British decision to cut forces on the continent, the slow pace of German rearmament. But they are keeping up their own guard and hoping for the best. They have not followed Belgium's example by reducing their 18 months' period of military service and, at a time when reduction of government expenditure is considered an economic necessity, they have resisted the temptation to make cuts in military appropriations.

No Trace of Neutralism

There is no trace of neutralism in Dutch foreign policy; and the Dutch appraisal of the international situation and its requirements is similar to that of the United States. This does not mean that the Dutch always see eye to eye with America.

Embers of resentment still linger because the U. S. is held partly responsible for compelling the Dutch to withdraw from their rich former colonial empire of Indonesia. There was some flare-up of this feeling at the time of the Suez crisis, when Dutch public opinion was inclined to sympathize with Britain, France and Israel. An Amsterdam newspaper which criticized the Suez venture received a considerable number of indignant letters from readers.

The Dutch are also inclined to express themselves vigorously whenever they see signs of protectionism in the U. S., even when products of other countries, such as Swiss watches and British bicycles, are affected. And there was disappointment here when the U. S. aviation authorities refused to give the Dutch airline, K.L.M., landing rights in Los Angeles, on the reasoning that present K.L.M. air routes in the U. S., with the use of New York, Houston and Miami airports, are a full equivalent for the two airports which the Netherlands can offer to the U. S.

Affection for Capital

But on big international issues there is substantial agreement. American fliers stationed in the Netherlands as part of an interceptor fighter unit are not met with "Yankee go home" signs. And Dutch friendliness to foreign capital investment has borne fruit in the fact that 100 of 232 partially or wholly foreign enterprises in the country are American, with an estimated capital investment of \$250 million.

Finally the Netherlands agrees with the U. S. on the desirability of European unity. That goal may still be a long way off, but the Dutch seem bent on hastening the day of its arrival.

House Approves, 313-75, Bill for State to Develop Power at Niagara Falls

By a WALL STREET JOURNAL Staff Reporter
WASHINGTON—The House overwhelmingly approved a bill allowing the New York State Power Authority to build a \$600 million power project at Niagara Falls.

The measure, declared by a 313 to 75 vote, would guarantee Niagara Mohawk Power Co. 445,000 kilowatts of electric power a year, about one-fourth of the plant's total output.

A compromise between public and private power proposals, the bill is identical to one approved by the Senate Public Works Committee. Under it, the Federal Power Commission is directed to license the New York State Authority to build the project.

Niagara Mohawk had originally opposed any government project, Federal or state, at the site. But the utility dropped its opposition after a rock slide last year damaged the company's power plant at the Falls.

The bill provides that half the annual output, of about 900,000 kilowatts, of the proposed

project be set aside for preference customers—municipalities and rural cooperatives. Niagara Mohawk would be guaranteed 445,000 kilowatts a year and other commercial users in New York could buy the remaining 445,000 kilowatts.

The Senate last year approved a measure to let New York State build a project that had complete preference for municipalities and cooperatives, but the House blocked the bill.

Texas & Pacific Lays Off 50 At Marshall, Texas, Car Shops

DALLAS—Texas & Pacific Railway Co. yesterday laid off 50 workers at its Marshall, Texas, car building and repairing departments.

This brought total releases in the past three months to about 100, the railroad said. Earlier reductions were in the company's stores and mechanical departments and reclamation plants, all in Marshall. The railroad said it previously had been maintaining an employee force of some 900 at Marshall.

L. C. Porter, vice president, attributed the curtailment to a "current decline in rail traffic."

A company spokesman said further layoffs of this size are not likely.

PEPPER...and Salt

I Might Throw It

When I was just a little chap,
My father used a razor strap
To keep me in the straight and narrow—
The sight of it would freeze my marrow.

My son, however, fears me not
And discipline has gone to pot.
He sees how helplessly I stand,
Electric shaver in my hand.

—Richard Armour.

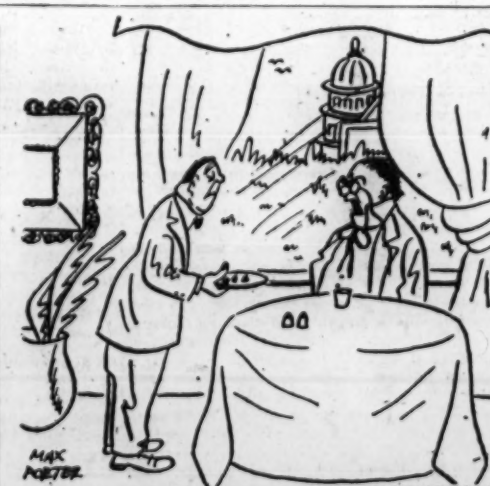
All Wet

A man returning from his vacation complained it had rained almost continuously every day.
"You must be exaggerating," commented a fellow worker. "How do you explain your magnificent sunburn?"
"Sunburn nothing," grumbled the vacationist. "That's rust."

Tall Story

The old prospector was talking to his visitors from the East.

"There I was," he said, "the grizzly bear down in the canyon behind a tree. The only way I could hit him was to ricochet a bullet off this high canyon wall on my right. Well, I had gauged my windage, calculated the lead of the barrel and the rate of twist,



"Isn't the chef aware of our mounting farm surplus?"

the hardness of the bullet and the angle of yaw it would have after being smacked out of shape against that canyon wall, and I judged my chances were 60-40 that I would get my bear."

There was a long silence. Then one of his listeners asked rather timidly: "Did you hit him?"
"Nope," spat out the old man. "I missed the wall."
—G. Norman Collier.

Themes and Variations

Everybody's Money

Every morning at 8:08 we salute the conductor on the commuter train, climb up into our air-conditioned car and settle down with Tom and Dick and Mary for a few hands of bridge as we roll to work in Manhattan. Every night at 8:15 we do the same thing, except we roll from Manhattan to Our Little Gray Homes in the Suburbs. And except someone usually gets up and brings four beers from the commuter car icebox.

Commuting is, as you can see, very very hard and it is a crying shame that besides all that we put up with the railroad keeps raising the rates.

The railroad says it is losing money hauling us to work and back, but that is crazy since anyone can see how much business they got because the parking lot is always jammed with commuters' cars. And even if it is losing money on us, well, someone has a plan that will take care of everything.

They have this Metropolitan Transit Commission around New York and it has been having hearings about a Bi-State Loop which would help haul us from New Jersey to New York and back at a reasonable price. But as the railroad told us in a little pamphlet about the hearings: "The most persistent questions raised concerned the cost and method of financing the \$400 million project and paying the probable annual operating deficit of \$12 million."

Well, it seemed to us all that the Project Director hit the nail right on the head at the hearings with his answer about raising construction money. This was his answer:

"The same policies which justify a national interest in highway building within and outside city limits and in civil defense areas, would fully justify national financial participation in a program of mass public transportation within the Metropolitan Area. The rail services perform a part of the essential transportation of the District along with the road system. Both are essential, both are public necessities to the same end, and both require public finance."

And the Project Director went on to say: "There is no reason why money collected by the Federal Government from the people of the different states and voted back to them in Federal aid to roads, should not, at the option of the states, be used to support commuter rail service where it is essential to relieve road congestion."

There is some reason right now why this shouldn't be done, because it isn't quite legal, but the Project Director had a quick answer to that one: "It is recommended that New York and New Jersey endeavor to obtain a change in the present Federal statutes to meet this particular problem."

So if the people down in Mississippi or out in South Dakota don't want any commuter railroads they certainly don't have to have any. Of course, so long as this Federal highway money is going to set up our commuter rail loop, maybe the Mississippians would want to amend the law a little more to do something about commuter buses.

Now, as Dick noted just last night, you have to be careful about this sort of thing, or some folk socialist or New Dealer would get hold of the idea and the first thing you know they would be financing all the transportation facilities in the country and then it would be only a step to financing all the public utilities. And then, of course, Washington would want to run them all.

But we certainly think that little matter can be handled all right; heaven knows we don't want socialism any more than Tom or Dick or Mary. This Bi-State Loop thing, though, is very essential and something has just got to be done to get it financed.

And certainly those people out in Ohio or Nevada won't mind us using some of their tax money to pay part of the cost of our getting to work. After all, we are buying them highways with our tax money.

—JOHN F. BRIDGE

Loew's Files Reply to Court Petition in Control Battle

WILMINGTON—An answer was filed in the Delaware Court of Chancery here asking that Louis B. Mayer and Samuel Briskin be declared "validly elected directors of Loew's, Inc." It was filed on behalf of Loew's and the two new directors of the company, whose status is being disputed.

This latest move in the fight for control of Loew's came in response to a petition filed here by dissident stockholder George Tomlinson, who also requested that the election of Mr. Mayer and Mr. Briskin to the board be declared valid.

Mr. Tomlinson heads a group of five stockholders who earlier this week elected Messrs. Mayer and Briskin to the firm's board at a special meeting in New York. But Joseph R. Vogel, Loew's president, and his three supporters on the board did not attend the meeting. Mr. Vogel has branded the election of the two new members a "illegal," along with all business transacted at the meeting.

An attorney for the Tomlinson faction said the Delaware court has ordered that all answers to the original petition must be filed here by August 9. A hearing will likely be held after that date, he said, but has not yet been set.

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International Nickel Will Have to Seek New Markets, Official Says

U. S. Government's Decision to Reject Stockpile Purchase Request Is Noted

COPPER CLIFF, Ont.—(AP)—International Nickel Co. of Canada, Ltd.—faced with a year-by-year decline in its leading position in the nickel industry—will have to find new markets for its own rapidly increasing production, Dr. Henry S. Wingate, president, said here.

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Business Milestones

American Barge Lines, Commercial Transport Merge Into New Firm

By a WALL STREET JOURNAL Staff Reporter
NEW YORK—The formation of a large inland barge company, American Commercial Barge Line Co., was completed yesterday with the merger of American Barge Line Co. and Commercial Transport Corp.

The merged concern, which claims to be the largest inland barge enterprise in the world, will operate 51 towboats and 570 barges on a river system stretching from the Great Lakes to Mexico, the new firm said.

Head office of American Commercial will be in Jeffersonville, Ind., with branch offices in 17 cities and terminal locations in nine.

The company will carry on common carrier transportation of general commodities. Contract barge service for bulk movement of petroleum, liquid chemicals and dry bulk freight will be carried on through a newly organized subsidiary, Commercial Transport Corp., headquartered in Houston.

Under the terms of the merger each share of American Barge line was exchanged for 1.6116 shares of the new concern, and each share of Commercial Transport convertible preferred was exchanged for nine shares of American Commercial. Commercial Transport common was exchanged on a share-for-share basis.

Patrick Calhoun, formerly president of American Barge, was named chairman of the merged corporation. Jacob W. Hershey, formerly president of Commercial Transport, is president of the new firm. Directors of the company, in addition to Mr. Hershey and Mr. Calhoun include: F. Eberstadt, partner of F. Eberstadt & Co.; David Lillenthal, chairman of Development Resources Corp.; Charles J. Stewart, partner of Lazarus Freres & Co.; E. D. Butcher, president of Commercial Transport; E. R. Clark, vice president and treasurer of American Commercial; W. A. Willig, vice president of American Commercial; Samuel H. Moerman, partner of La Roe, Winn & Moerman; Andrew P. Calhoun, and Ray Van Beckum, president of Commercial Carriers, Inc., motor vehicle carrying subsidiary.

Peace River Natural Gas Co. Directors Back Merger Plan

VANCOUVER—Directors of Peace River Natural Gas Co., Ltd., approved an offer by Westcoast Transmission Co., Ltd., to acquire Peace River's assets.

The merger, subject to ratification by Peace River shareholders, would be on the basis of one share of Westcoast for three shares of Peace River Natural Gas.

Under the agreement, Westcoast would become an integrated company with substantial land holdings and important natural gas reserves as well as its major pipeline system.

Peace River has interests in 2,304,000 gross acres, mainly in northeastern British Columbia, and shares in a large portion of the natural gas reserves developed in that district by Pacific Petroleum, Ltd. It also has interests in holdings in northwestern Alberta.

World Bank to Aid Italy In Planning Reactor But Doesn't Promise Funds

By a WALL STREET JOURNAL Staff Reporter
WASHINGTON—The World Bank announced it will aid the Italian government in planning a nuclear power reactor to produce 150,000 kilowatts of electricity.

The 60-nation lending organization said it could not guarantee that this meant it intends to finance the project.

The reactor planned for the southern part of Italy is the second large nuclear power station planned by the Italian government for the near future. Vitro Engineering Co., division of Vitro Corp. of America, yesterday announced it is designing a reactor to be located near Rome which will produce 140,000 kilowatts of electric power, and will cost an estimated \$46,400,000. The World Bank, formally named the Inter-

cific Petroleum, Ltd. It also has interests in holdings in northwestern Alberta.

An announcement by the two firms said as of July 15, Pacific Petroleum held more than 50% of the issued shares of Peace River Natural Gas. Pacific also holds a million shares of Westcoast Transmission. The merger will therefore result in Pacific Petroleum's becoming the largest single shareholder of Westcoast Transmission.

National Supply Co. Plans To Buy Howard Electric

PITTSBURGH — National Supply Co. announced it will purchase Howard Electric Co. of Melrose Park, Ill. Price was not disclosed.

Howard manufactures "Howardcut," an under-floor wire distribution system for carrying power lines, telephone lines and signaling circuits in office, commercial and industrial buildings.

The company had sales of around \$2 million in 1956.

National Supply, primarily a manufacturer and distributor of oil field equipment, also produces welded steel pipe and electrical conduit through its Spang-Chalfant division.

A. W. McKinney, president of National Supply said "the complementary nature of Howardcut and our conduit line, and the similarity in our present selling methods and sales organization should result in increased sales of both lines at lower costs per sales dollar."

Archer-Daniels-Midland Buys Federal Foundry Supply Co.

MINNEAPOLIS — Archer-Daniels-Midland Co. has completed the purchase of Federal Foundry Supply Co., Cleveland, a supplier of foundry equipment and bonding agent used in processing taconite iron ore.

Negotiations for purchase of the Cleveland firm were announced in May. The acquisition involved an exchange of stock, but further details of the transaction were not disclosed.

Federal Foundry Supply, with annual sales of about \$4 million, operates mines at Colony and Upton, Wyoming, for the production of bentonite, an adhesive clay used to pelletize iron ore powder extracted from taconite rock.

In addition to its main plant in Cleveland, the company operates a plant in Chicago and a powdered coal plant at Hanford, W. Va.

Archer-Daniels is a major manufacturer of foundry core oils and core binders. The acquisition of Federal Foundry Supply brings Archer-Daniels into "close association with the fast-growing taconite industry," the company said. Operations of Federal Foundry Supply will be integrated with Archer-Daniels' Foundry Products division, headquartered in Cleveland.

Wallace Silversmiths, Inc.

WALLINGFORD, Conn. — Wallace Silversmiths of Canada, Ltd., subsidiary of Wallace Silversmiths, Inc., located here, has acquired General Plastics, Ltd., H. F. Stone, president of the parent concern, announced.

Terms of the transaction were not disclosed. General Plastics, Toronto, manufactures plastic houseware and dinnerware.

national Bank for Reconstruction and Development, called its part in the new project a "study." It said its agreement with the Comitato Nazionale per la Ricerca Nucleare, a government institution, includes helping Italy select a site for the nuclear power plant, asking companies throughout the world to bid on construction of the project and evaluate comparative costs and performance of the various bids.

Bank President Eugene R. Black said the Italian study marked the bank's first venture into the atomic power field, although he noted that the Bank already has invested more than \$1 billion in power projects through the world. The study will therefore be of importance both for Italy and for other bank member countries, Mr. Black added.

Aggregate Rail Earnings

AGGREGATE RAIL EARNINGS: Reports of 114 Class 1 railroads in the United States to the Interstate Commerce Commission, compare as follows:

	1957	1956
May gross	\$906,512,551	\$892,837,096
Net operating income	\$6,738,427	\$12,637,419
Five months gross	\$4,365,911,181	\$4,336,348,027
Net operating income	\$76,272,558	\$116,333,274

New Uses for Platinum Sought to Offset Drop

Chairman of Englehard Industries
Sees Dip in Use by Oil Firms
Leading to Possible Oversupply

By a WALL STREET JOURNAL Staff Reporter

LONDON—New uses for platinum must be found to replace declining amounts of the metal used by the oil industry, Charles Engelhard, chairman of Englehard Industries, Newark, New Jersey, declared in an interview given to the Rand Daily Mail in Johannesburg, Union of South Africa. Engelhard Industries controls Baker & Co., major U.S. refiner and fabricator of platinum.

"Unless new uses are found," he said, "there will tend to be an oversupply, taking into account substantially increased current production now available."

Outlining reasons for recent weakness in platinum, which dropped \$8 an ounce to \$84 an ounce a few days ago, Mr. Engelhard said the basic factor was the reduction in demand from the oil industry, where platinum is used as a catalyst in oil cracking processes. Most of the major oil companies, he stated, already had obtained supplies needed, and there has been a tendency to reduce the percentage of platinum used in the process.

Another important factor, too, Mr. Engelhard declared, is cheaper offers of platinum from Soviet Russia. This has been a factor in the recent price setback. The situation also has been aggravated, he stated, by the use of platinum as a means of taking advantage of sterling switch transactions, in which platinum is converted from sterling into dollars, with the effect reducing platinum's price through exchange margins.

Lower priced Russian platinum has been available in the U. S. and in Europe, but it has not been made available on the British market due to restrictions that prevent its importation through currency control, he stated. However, Mr. Engelhard said he understood these restrictions would be lifted by the British government. He presumably referred to the British Board of Trade announcement early in July that platinum would be one of the commodities placed on world open general license from August 1.

"Any new use for platinum would have to be a major one to help the market for the metal," Mr. Engelhard said, and added, "I know of no such use at the moment."

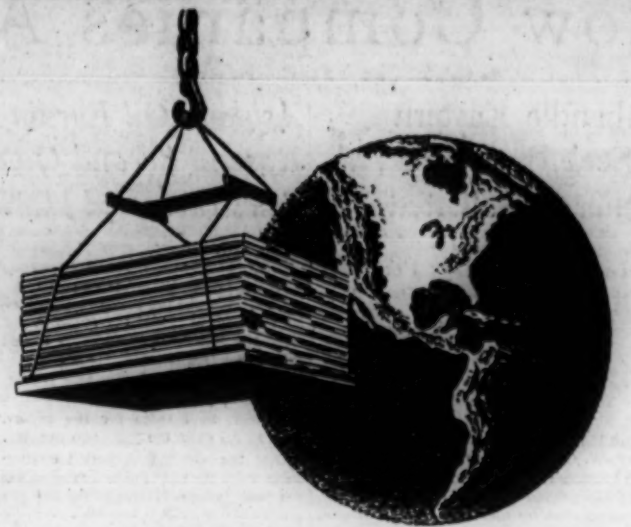
Three U.S. Companies to Build 815-Mile Argentine Pipeline

BUENOS AIRES (AP)—The Argentine government issued a decree empowering YPF, its oil monopoly, to sign a \$200 million pipeline construction contract with three United States companies.

The decree named the companies as North American Utility and Construction Co., Fish Engineering Corp., and Fish-Northwest Constructors, Inc.

They are to build an 815-mile pipeline from the Campo Duran fields on the Bolivian border to bring natural gas south to Buenos Aires, and a pipeline from Campo Duran to bring oil to a YPF refinery near Rosario, 250 miles northwest of Buenos Aires.

The government said the work contracted now was most urgent, to assure a greater flow of gas and oil from the state operated fields of Salta Province to the area near Buenos Aires and Rosario.



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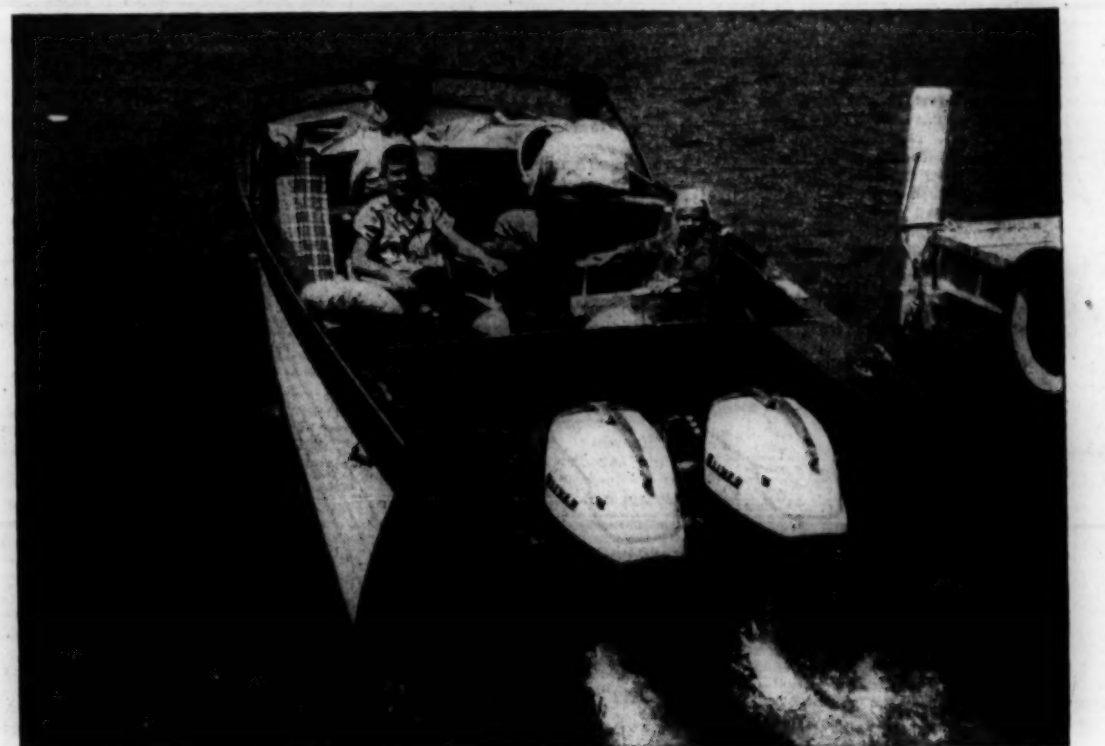
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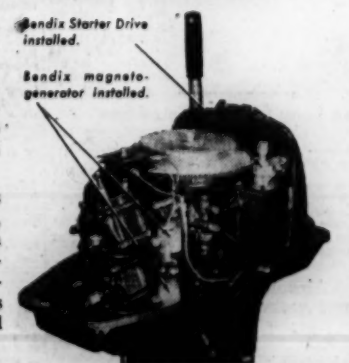
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Who's News

Personnel Notes—Management—

Cargill Names New Chairman, Makes Several Other Changes

MINNEAPOLIS—John H. Macmillan, Jr., was named chairman and chief executive officer of Cargill, Inc., grain handling and processing firm, in a number of changes in the executive personnel.

Cargill Macmillan, executive vice president, was named to succeed Mr. Macmillan, Jr., as president. H. Terry Morrison and Erwin E. Keim, vice presidents, became executive vice presidents. Robert J. Harrigan, comptroller, was made vice president and controller. Donald C. Levin became secretary and Calvin J. Anderson, assistant secretary.

Christiansen Named Head Of McGraw-Edison Unit

WEST ORANGE, N. J.—Paul J. Christiansen was named president of the Thomas A. Edison Industries division of the McGraw-Edison Co.

Mr. Christiansen, who will continue to serve as general counsel to the parent company, succeeds Henry G. Ritter, 3rd, who resigned and is on leave of absence for the remainder of 1957. Mr. Ritter will become director of corporate relations for McGraw-Edison effective Jan. 1, 1958.

Henry G. Ritter, Jr., was elected executive vice president of Edison Industries.

McGraw-Edison manufactures a variety of electric and electronic products.

Commerce and Industry

Amurex Oil Development Co. (El Dorado, Ark.)—W. L. Falconer, formerly vice president, was named president. Vernon Van Sant, Jr., was elected executive vice president.

Vitro Corp. of America (New York)—Laurence S. Rockefeller, president and director of Rockefeller Bros., Inc., and Robert W. Pur-

cell, business advisors to the Rockefeller brothers, have been elected directors of this company which does research and development in rare metals.

Lau Blosier Co. (Dayton, O.)—Thomas I. Byrd, formerly executive vice president, was named president of this manufacturer of fans and blowers. He succeeds Harold W. Faulkender, who was elected chairman of the board.

Collins Radio Co. (Cedar Rapids, Iowa)—Howard C. Briggs was appointed government relations director at the Washington, D. C. office.

Omar Inc. (Omaha, Neb.)—Charles Slater was named vice president and director of marketing for Supermart Foods, Inc., a subsidiary. The subsidiary's headquarters will be moved to Chicago.

Southern Railway System (Washington)—Harlee Branch, Jr., president of The Southern Co., has been elected a director.

Official Films, Inc. (New York)—Seymour Reed was elected executive vice president.

Silvray Lighting, Inc. (New York)—J. M. Gilbert was elected president. H. G. Clum was named vice president, and S. S. Gilbert was appointed treasurer.

Champion Paper & Fibre Co. (Hamilton, O.)—H. W. Suter was elected senior vice president, marketing. H. W. Suter, Jr., was named vice president and manager of the Champion Paper sales division. Henry Rigby was appointed vice president, corporate development; Karl R. Benetson, vice president, operations; and Stephen B. Chase, Jr., vice president and manager of the Texas division.

Diamond Alkali Co. (Cleveland)—James P. Okie will succeed A. L. Geisinger as vice president and general manager of the plastics division Dec. 31.

Finance

Mutual Life Insurance Co. of New York—Allen L. Lindley was named treasurer and vice president for securities investment.

Union Oil of California Net in Second Quarter, First Half Topped '56

Sales Also Rose in Both Periods; Crude Output Held at Levels Of Year Earlier

By a WALL STREET JOURNAL Staff Reporter

LOS ANGELES—Union Oil Co. of California reported net income for the second quarter ended June 30 increased to \$7,599,939, or 96 cents a common share, from \$6,887,996, or 86 cents a share, for the like quarter last year.

Sales for the period rose to \$110.6 million from \$98.1 million last year.

Six-month sales and earnings also increased over 1956 totals. Net income for the 1957 half was \$16.7 million, or \$2.17 a share, up from \$13.8 million, or \$1.77 a share, in 1956. Sales rose to \$217.7 million this year from \$191.4 million in 1956.

Reese H. Taylor, chairman, credited increased sales revenues for the improved earnings. He said union's net production of crude oil held at about the same level as a year ago, although refinery throughput rose about 6% to 175,240 barrels daily.

Mr. Taylor said Union Oil's second half

exploration program calls for the drilling of 88 wildcat wells, a record high. Drilling will be concentrated in southern Louisiana and in north central Alberta, northern Alberta and British Columbia in Canada.

UNION OIL CO. OF CALIFORNIA reports for quarter ended June 30:

Earnings per common share: 1957 1956

Net sales: 1957 1956

Net income after taxes: 1957 1956

Net income before federal income taxes: 1957 1956

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McCall Corp. reports for quarter ended June 30:

Earnings per common share: 1957 1956

Net sales: 1957 1956

Net income after taxes: 1957 1956

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New York Capital Fund reports net assets:

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Net assets per share: 1957 1956

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American Gilsonite, jointly owned by Standard of California and Barber Oil Co., holds 80% of the known reserves in the area. Mr. Goodner says the firm has 16 million tons of recoverable oil within six to seven miles of Bonanza. This is equivalent to about 100 million barrels of oil, or about the size of a major petroleum field.

Gilsonite deposits here are found in cravasse-like fissures. They lie in straight-line veins as wide as 22 feet, as long as nine miles and extending from the surface to as deep as 2,000 feet.

Since dust from Gilsonite is highly explosive, the firm developed a system of "wet

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The refinery itself operates like any conventional facility using crude petroleum, with the exception of facilities to dry the ore after its watery trip through the pipeline and to prepare the mixture for refining.

Mr. Goodner believes Gilsonite may also

become a raw material for the chemical industry. American Gilsonite has applied for patents on several Gilsonite-chemicals, he reports. Other petroleum-like ores than can be found in the Uintah Basin include rare minerals with such odd-sounding names as Osoecrite, Wurtzilite and Grahamite. Better known and far more plentiful, however, are the oil-bearing shales, from which Union Oil Co. of California is now producing experimental quantities of oil at a \$5 million prototype plant on Parachute Creek in Western Colorado. What shale oil the Union laboratories don't use is sold as fuel oil, although it is not refined.

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New York Banks' Business Loans Rose \$36 Million in Latest Week

Gain, First in Five Weeks, Attributed to Borrowings By Sales Finance Firms

By a WALL STREET JOURNAL Staff Reporter

NEW YORK—Business loans at leading New York City banks increased \$36 million, ending a downturn that had prevailed for four weeks, the New York Federal Reserve Bank reported. The \$36 million rise followed a decrease of \$181 million the preceding week and compared with a \$48 million increase in the corresponding week last year.

It brought to \$1,618,000,000 the total of loans to business on the books of the 17 New York City banks reporting to the New York Federal Reserve. The comparable figure a year ago was \$1,093,000,000.

So far this year these loans have risen \$148 million, compared with a rise of \$486 million in the like 1956 period. In the five weeks ended Wednesday there was a net decline of \$494 million, which compares with a decline of \$103 million in the like weeks of last year.

The latest week's rise in loans was due mainly to a \$68 million increase in borrowing by sales finance companies. Textile, apparel and leather concerns reduced their indebtedness by \$36 million in the week, and other business classes showed only small changes up or down.

Across the country, banks were a little more strapped for funds than in the previous week, but they remained under substantially less pressure than in June and early July.

A measure of the banks' relative reserve position is the amount they have to borrow from the Federal Reserve banks to meet their reserve requirements. On Wednesday these net borrowings (excess reserves less borrowings) stood at \$351 million, up from the previous Wednesday's \$236 million. Daily average net borrowings for the latest statement week were \$201 million, compared with \$172 million the week before.

Since late May, until past mid-July, daily average net borrowings in most weeks had been around \$300 million or higher.

The Federal Reserve System reduced its holdings of Treasury bills in the latest statement week — by \$106 million on a Wednesday-to-Wednesday basis. These bill sales have the effect of sopping up bank reserves, as buyers pay the Federal Reserve by checks drawn on their private bank accounts, thus reducing the reserves of banks.

On a daily average basis bill holdings rose slightly from the previous week, as the Federal Reserve bought \$189 million under repurchase agreements and sold \$151 million of its outright holdings.

Some increased pressure on the banks resulted also from a decline in "float," credit automatically extended to banks by the Federal Reserve banks to cover checks delayed in transit. "Float" decreased \$120 million, Wednesday to Wednesday, and \$353 million on a daily average basis.

ASSETS AND LIABILITIES OF 17 WEEKLY REPORTING NEW YORK CITY BANKS (in millions of dollars)

Assets: 1957 1956 1955
Loans & investments adjusted (r): 22,383 22,373 22,647

Liabilities: 1957 1956 1955
Reserves: 11,817 11,891 12,000

U. S. Gov't securities: 197 42 31
Other securities: 279 383 436
Real estate loans: 2,130 2,137 2,214
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Time deposits—except Gov't: 1,531 1,529 1,571
Other deposits: 1,403 1,463 1,394

U. S. Gov't deposits: 761 714 642
Interbank deposits: 2,305 2,274 2,261
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Borrowings: 1957 1956 1955
From Federal Reserve Banks: 318 185 494
From other sources: 1,324 1,444 1,467
Other liabilities: 3,296 3,291 3,291

CAPITAL ACCOUNTS: 1957 1956 1955
(r) Exclusive of loans to banks and after deduction of valuation reserves; individual loan items are shown gross.
Member bank reserves and borrowings of CENTRAL RESERVE NEW YORK CITY BANKS (in millions of dollars)

July 31 July 24 Aug. 1
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Required reserves (partly pd.): 2,101 2,101 2,101

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Burlington Official Says Firm Is Seeking Interest In Two Southern Mills

By a WALL STREET JOURNAL Staff Reporter

GREENSBORO, N. C.—J. Spencer Love, chairman of Burlington Industries, Inc., confirmed reports that Burlington has been negotiating to buy an interest in Martel Mills Corp. and Henrietta Mills, two groups of Southern cotton mills.

However, Mr. Love said that "there are lots of complications" in the discussions and "nothing is confirmed, nothing signed."

Rumors in textile circles have been that several companies, including Burlington, have been looking at the Martel and Henrietta properties. The discussions reportedly also involve Catlin-Farish Co., which acts as selling agent for Martel and Henrietta.

The two concerns have seven cotton mills in the Carolinas with a total of over 8,000 looms and almost 213,000 spindles. For the fiscal year ended September 29, 1956, Martel reported sales of \$18,000,975, and profit of \$651,589, while Henrietta had sales of \$16,027,927, and profit of \$1,140,384.

Burlington, the nation's biggest textile concern, reported sales of \$636,384,771, and net income from operations of \$15,264,780, in the fiscal year ended last September 29.

House Unit Votes to Back Loans to Local Airlines

WASHINGTON—The House Commerce Committee approved an Administration-opposed measure authorizing the Government to guarantee loans to local airlines.

The airlines and the Civil Aeronautics Board had urged approval of the bill, contending it would help the airlines get financing for new planes and equipment. However, the Commerce Department and Budget Bureau opposed it on ground the Government shouldn't expand any loan-guarantee programs.

Under the bill, the Government could guarantee up to 90% of any loan made to local, feeder or short-haul airlines provided the money would be used to purchase planes and equipment. The guarantee could be made only on loans under \$5 million and where the line could prove financing was not available from private sources on reasonable terms.

Trans-Lux Announces Lease Of Encyclopedia Film Library

NEW YORK—Trans-Lux Television Corp. announced the leasing of the Encyclopedia Britannica Film Library to WOR-TV for about \$100,000.

Trans-Lux also said it had signed a leasing agreement with Time, Inc., for use of the library in Time's five midwestern TV stations. Time would release no figure on the transaction, but Richard P. Brandt, president of Trans-Lux, said the sum was "in the six figure category."

The two leases run for five years on all films in the library of slightly more than 700 titles.

Lincoln Starts Making '58 Models, Plans to Show Them in Late October

By a WALL STREET JOURNAL Staff Reporter

DETROIT—The first 1958 models of Lincoln passenger cars began rolling off the assembly line yesterday at the new Lincoln plant in Wixom, Mich.

An estimated 187 autos are slated to be assembled at that plant this week. Actual plant capacity, operating on a two-shift basis is 112,000 cars annually. These new models probably will be shown to the public during the last week in October, the company said.

Ford Motor Co.'s Edsel division continued to accelerate production this week and is scheduled to assemble an estimated 2,131 cars. Last week, 1,430 were built.

Mercury output this week will drop to 4,074 cars because the division's Wayne plant is scheduled for a one-day shutdown today. Last week, 5,694 Mercury's were assembled.

Total output by the industry this week is scheduled to slip 117,685 cars, about 1.8% under last week's total of 119,860, but 5.8% ahead of the 111,162 autos assembled in the like year-ago week.

General Motors Corp.'s Chevrolet division again will lead production with 31,100 units scheduled to be built this week. Last week 31,219 Chevrolets were built.

Chevrolet's Norwood, Ohio, plant is scheduled for a one-day shutdown today. However, that division's plant in Los Angeles will work tomorrow. All other Chevy assembly plants will work five days this week.

Cuts by Oldsmobile, Pontiac

Both Oldsmobile and Pontiac divisions of G.M. are scheduled to cut production this week under last week's output. This week, 6,632 Oldsmobile and 6,050 Pontiacs will be assembled, compared with 7,167 and 6,993, respectively, last week.

The Chrysler division of Chrysler Corp. boosted production slightly this week to 2,300 from last week's 2,030 cars. Chrysler's Detroit plant last Friday was down for the day because of walkouts.

The Plymouth division, scheduled to work five days, will build 15,200 cars this week, compared with 13,409 last week. Output of Plymouths last week was reduced by several walkouts in plants which produce bodies for the assembly plants.

	This Week	Last Week	Yr Ago	— To date —	
	1957	1956	1956	1957	1956
Chevrolet	31,100	31,219	29,021	290,211	1,013,741
Ford	29,382	29,408	28,212	959,371	
Pontiac	15,200	15,409	9,797	443,850	291,997
Oldsmobile	6,632	7,167	7,833	237,415	228,203
Pontiac	6,050	6,993	5,387	216,453	216,453
Chrysler	2,300	2,030	1,682	80,796	77,810
DeSoto	2,131	1,430	2,117	81,963	68,537
Edsel	1,395	1,365	1,040	37,848	37,848
Studebaker	850	678	158	28,083	28,083
Lincoln	187	144	268	25,610	22,451
Packard	5	3	0	6,103	6,103
Rambler	0	1,725	1,463	58,267	51,822
Nash	0	0	0	3,543	3,543
Hudson	0	0	0	1,344	1,344
Continental	0	0	15	428	428
Totals	117,685	119,860	111,162	3,913,668	3,705,044

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Goodrich Boosts Prices Of Industrial Rubber Products by 2% to 5%

By a WALL STREET JOURNAL Staff Reporter

AKRON — B. F. Goodrich Industrial Products Co., a division of B. F. Goodrich Co., announced price increases of 2% to 5% on various industrial rubber products, effective Monday.

A Goodrich spokesman said the company has not yet taken action to increase tire prices. The boost in industrial rubber products was the first response in the industry to the price increases initiated Wednesday by Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co. Goodyear boosted tire prices 3% and other products 3% to 4%.

The rubber products price increases, which are expected to become general in the industry, follow a 8% wage boost won earlier this month by the A.F.L.-C.I.O. United Rubber Workers Union. Goodyear and Goodrich, in their announcements, also cited higher costs for materials and transportation.

Goodrich's price increase was 2% to 3% on belting, 3% to 4% on hose, and from 3% to 5% on a long list of special industrial products.

AEC Cuts Cobalt 60 Price To Spur Its Use in Industry

WASHINGTON—The Atomic Energy Commission slashed prices for radioactive cobalt 60 to spur use of the radioisotope in industry, medicine and research.

The new prices, put into effect yesterday, range from \$2 to \$5 per curie—the amount of material that will emit radiation equal to that of one gram of radium. Previous prices ranged from \$2 to \$10 per curie, with a charge for \$50 per curie for the first two curies.

Although increased demand resulting from the lower prices may exceed the A.E.C.'s 300,000 curie annual output rate, the commission said it doesn't plan to increase its production of the material. The agency, now the sole U. S. producer of cobalt 60, hopes this will persuade industry to undertake production of the material in private reactors.

Radiation from cobalt 60 is used, among other things, in treating cancer, promoting chemical reactions, improving the properties of plastics, preserving perishable foods and sterilizing drugs.

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BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st DECEMBER, 1956

Assets	DM	DM	DM	Liabilities	DM	DM	DM
1. Cash Reserve				1. Creditors			
a) Cash in hand		9,877.98		a) German Federal Republic	3,931,597,952.80		
b) Balances on Giro Accounts at Land Central Bank, at Bank deutscher Lander and on Postal Cheque Account		15,981,929.54	15,991,607.52	b) Bank deutscher Lander	46,578,908.96		
2. Balances at Banks				c) Other Lenders	640,692,250.—	4,618,867,111.46	
a) Sight balances	85,669,731.75			d) Other Liabilities:			
b) Due within 3 months	24,200,000.—		79,869,731.75	Interest	25,716,703.38		
3. Bills of Exchange (including bills eligible for rediscount at Central Bank DM 59,919,461.11)			73,467,461.11	Others	251,080.95	25,967,784.33	4,644,834,908.79
4. Own Securities				2. Own Loans Issued			
a) Own Bonds: DM 473,700 nominal	473,700.—			a) 5½% Reconstruction Loan			
b) Own Fixed Interest-bearing Securities	1,273,051.50	1,746,751.50		Series I	39,832,400.—		
5. Debtors				Series II	260,000,000.—		
a) Loans granted:				b) 3½% Housing Loan	6,400,000.—	306,282,400.—	
To Banks, for passing on to Borrowers	3,201,673,272.33			c) Drawn Bonds		38,260,400.—	
Direct to Borrowers	1,830,037,300.—	5,031,710,872.32		d) Interest Coupons not yet presented		6,053,319.25	350,596,119.25
b) Other Claims:				3. Loans channelled to Borrowers on a Trust Basis			
Interest	25,257,130.89			a) In our Own Name		300,430,843.65	
Others	1,078,226.30	36,333,357.19	5,068,043,929.51	b) In the Name of Others	279,821,658.38		
6. Loans channelled to Borrowers on a Trust Basis				c) Other Trust Transactions in our Own Name		9,968,452.39	810,397,296.04
a) In our Own Name		300,430,843.65		4. Capital Funds			
b) In the Name of Others	279,821,658.38			a) Capital		1,000,000.—	
c) Other Trust Transactions in our Own Name		9,968,452.39	810,397,296.04	b) Reserve formed from Resources of the E.R.F. Special Fund		134,940,598.—	
7. Real Estate and Buildings			1.—	c) Legal Reserve		98,622,272.79	234,563,870.79
8. Office Furniture and Materials			1.—	5. Reserves for Special Purposes			8,314,000.—
9. Items for the purpose of distinguishing between separate Accounting Periods			738,285.91	6. Items for the purpose of distinguishing between separate Accounting Periods			1,548,853.47
10. Customers' Liability on Guarantees	404,885,263.75			7. Liabilities in respect of Guarantees	404,685,263.75		
		5,550,255,065.34					5,550,255,065.34

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR 1956

Expenditure	DM	DM	Receipts	DM
1. Operating Expenses		3,108,850.88	1. Interest received in excess of interest paid	21,717,307.16
2. Depreciation:			2. Other Receipts	988,903.81
on Real Estate and Buildings	15,430.72		3. Extraordinary Receipts	25,446.20
on Office Furniture and Materials	91,810.95	107,241.67		
3. Placed to Reserves for Special Purposes		1,500,000.—		
4. Other Expenditure		383,908.84		
5. Net Profit for 1956 (transferred to Legal Reserve)		17,632,055.48		
		22,731,656.87		22,731,656.87

Frankfurt on Main, 7th February, 1957

According to the conclusive result of our audit, which was duly carried out on the basis of the books and records of the Reconstruction Loan Corporation, as well as of the explanations and statements supplied by the Board of Management, the bookkeeping, the Annual Statement of Accounts as at 31st December, 1956 and the Annual Report, in so far as it elucidates the Annual Statement of Accounts, are in accordance with the provisions of the law.

Frankfurt on Main, 12th March, 1957

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Cities Service Reports New Oil Discovery in Muscat, Oman Sultanate

Richfield Has 50% Interest in Well Which Is Far Removed From Current Rebel Action

By a WALL STREET JOURNAL Staff Reporter

NEW YORK—Cities Service Co. said its wholly owned subsidiary Dhofar-Cities Service Petroleum Corp. made a second oil discovery in the province of Dhofar, Sultanate of Muscat and Oman.

Preliminary tests of the well indicate a producing capacity of 2,000 barrels daily of 22 gravity oil from a depth of 2,300 feet. Drilling is being continued to a greater depth to test lower formations.

The well is located on a 22,000 acre concession granted by Said Bin Taimur, Sultan of Muscat and Oman. Richfield Oil Corp. has a 50% participating interest. The area in which the concession is located is far removed from the site of current rebel action against the Sultan. It is in the mountains of Oman northeast of Dhofar. Dhofar is near the center of the southern end of the Arabian Peninsula.

The structure in which the well found the oil, known as Marmul, is approximately 11 miles long and five miles wide and is located 35 miles from the sea. It is more than 500 miles distant from the nearest oil production in Saudi Arabia.

The first well drilled on the structure, approximately two miles northwest of the present well, had substantial oil shows.

Many promising structures have been outlined within the concession, Cities Service said.

Esso Standard Reduces Light Heating Oil Prices

By a WALL STREET JOURNAL Staff Reporter

NEW YORK—Esso Standard Oil Co., marketing affiliate of Standard Oil Co. (New Jersey), has reduced the prices of light heating oils from Maine through Charleston, South Carolina, by 0.4 cents a gallon for all methods of delivery.

In western North and South Carolina and eastern Tennessee, the price cut is 0.5 cents a gallon and at Baton Rouge, 0.3 cents a gallon. The new prices become effective today. Under them, No. 2 fuel oil delivered at the home in New York drops to 14.7 cents a gallon.

The price reduction is understood to reflect the weaker wholesale market along the coast of the Gulf of Mexico.

The latest price cut brings the prices of these light fuels 0.4 cents a gallon below what they were before the January increase in the price of crude oil.

Chance Vought

CHANCE VOUGHT AIRCRAFT, INC., reports for quarter ended June 30:	1957	1956	1955
Earnings per share	\$1.03	\$1.06	\$1.06
Sales	46,823,130	38,802,477	32,996,123
Net income after taxes	1,115,737	790,768	1,623,671
Capital shares	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,075,619
Six months ended June 30:			
Earnings per share	\$1.06	\$1.06	\$1.06
Sales	86,044,763	51,154,643	59,916,734
Net income after taxes	2,120,989	1,437,061	1,750,062

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Offer Terminals August 12

BALTIMORE—The Baltimore & Ohio Railroad has given notice that its offer to exchange convertible 4½% fixed-interest debentures for the outstanding convertible 4½% income bonds will terminate at the close of business August 12.

The exchange offer, made March 27 of last year, has been accepted by holders of \$31,176,000 principal amount of the income bonds, leaving \$23,534,000 outstanding July 29. The company said that, apparently in anticipation of the deadline date of August 12, recent exchanges of the old bonds for the new debentures have been heavy, totaling over \$900,000 during the past week.

Missouri Pacific Railroad
WASHINGTON—Missouri Pacific Railroad Co. asked the Interstate Commerce Commission for permission to sell \$3,528,000 in equipment trust certificates at competitive bidding about August 8.

The St. Louis based carrier reported proceeds of the proposed 15-year issue would be used to finance about 80% of a \$4,496,250 purchase of 490 freight cars.

Public Service Electric Bonds
NEW YORK—Public Service Electric & Gas Co. registered its proposed \$80 million first and refunding mortgage bonds with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Money Rates
NEW YORK—Bankers acceptance rates on 30-90 day bills were quoted 3½% to 3¾%, 120 day bills are 3¾% to 3½% and the 180 day bills 3¾% to 3½%.

Federal funds bid at 3%.

Call money lent dealers on bills and Treasuries was quoted at 3½% to 4%.

Call money on stock exchange collateral was 4½% to 4¾%.

Commercial paper sold through dealers four to six months maturity was 3½% to 4¼%.

Commercial papers placed directly by the major finance companies one to nine months maturity was 3½% to 4%.

Arkansas Fuel Oil
ARKANSAS FUEL OIL CORP. and subsidiaries report for the six months ended July 31:

	1957	1956
Earnings per share	\$1.83	\$1.86
Gross operating income	\$3,169,419	\$4,717,164
Profit before income taxes	\$3,038,231	\$4,279,350
Net income after taxes	\$2,924,554	\$3,731,472
Capital shares	2,801,530	2,801,530
Quarter ended June 30:		
Earnings per share	\$4.44	\$4.46
Gross operating income	\$4,722,434	\$6,886,084
Profit before income taxes	\$4,591,171	\$6,809,632
Net income after taxes	\$4,489,454	\$6,677,197

a—includes sales of purchased crude oil.

Tax Exempts

New York City to Sell General Obligation Issue Of \$40 Million August 15

By a WALL STREET JOURNAL Staff Reporter
NEW YORK—New York City will bring \$40 million in general obligation bonds to the money market August 15.

Last April 23, New York paid an interest charge of 3.448% in selling \$30,500,000 general obligation bonds—highest cost since the mid-1930's for the city's borrowing. The Dow Jones municipal yield index at that time read 3.20%, against its present 3.45%.

Most of the funds raised by the city's impending bond sale will be channeled into the school system, with \$32 million of the total ticketed for school construction and alteration and the acquisition of school sites. The remaining \$8,000,000 will go for judgments and claims against the city, and for the subway employees' pension fund.

Observers in some quarters felt that the city was vending its bonds in mid-August, traditionally a period when the volume of bond offerings and sales fall off, in expectation of somewhat better prices than might be expected in September, when the volume is expected to turn upward.

Pennsylvania Turnpike Net, Gross Revenues Rose in June

HARRISBURG, Pa. — Gross revenues received by the Pennsylvania Turnpike in June were up almost \$450,000 above the like month a year ago. This June saw a total intake of \$3,345,534, against \$2,897,291 in June, 1956.

Expenses were lower this June, standing at \$407,105, compared with last June's \$547,690. However, the June, 1957, figure reflects only cash expenditures while the 1956 figure includes all expenses incurred for that period. Unusual repair work and replacement costs were greatly down from last year's \$301,629, compared with this June's \$10,145.

Net income after operating expenses and available for interest payment and debt retirement this June increased almost \$1,000,000 over last year's mark, standing \$2,928,284 to \$1,928,284.

Lower Allen Township, Pa., Issue

NEW YORK—In negotiated bidding Ira Haupt & Co. and associates were awarded \$4,550,000 Lower Allen Township, Cumberland County, Pa., Authority sewer revenue bonds. The group secured the bonds on coupons of 4½%, 5%, and 5½%. The bonds, \$1,650,000 of which mature 1963 to 1982 and \$2,900,000 of which mature in 1997, are reoffered priced to yield 4.20% to 5% in the first case and to yield 3.375% in the second.

Tampa to Sell \$6,250,000 Issue

Tampa, Fla., has \$6,250,000 special obligation bonds on tap for August 15. The bonds, backed by a utilities service tax, are the initial issue of a \$20 million authorization. They mature serially 1958 to 1986.

On August 27 Citrus, Calif., Unified High School District will market \$1,250,000 school building bonds maturing 1958 to 1977.

Asiatic Flu Danger Cited by Government; Vaccine Output Boosted

Six Drug Manufacturers Go on Seven-Day Week to Make 60 Million Shots by February 1

By a WALL STREET JOURNAL Staff Reporter
WASHINGTON—"Serious influenza epidemics" could hit the country this fall or winter, the Government warned. To combat the danger, six drug manufacturers are stepping up production of a new flu vaccine to a seven-days-a-week pace.

The threat from Asiatic flu and the attempt to thwart it were described by U. S. Surgeon General Leroy E. Burney in a special press conference here. He said the public health service, which he heads, and the American Medical Association are going to make "a vigorous campaign" to get people to use the vaccine before the expected flu epidemics strike.

Dr. Burney said the six manufacturers licensed to produce the vaccine—Eli Lilly & Co., Indianapolis; Lederle Laboratories, division of American Cyanamid Co., New York; Merck & Co., Kenilworth, N.J.; Parke-Davis & Co., Detroit; and Pitman-Moore Co., Indianapolis—have set a total production goal of 60 million cubic centimeters of the preventive vaccine by February 1. One cubic centimeter equals one shot. One shot is currently expected to be enough for one person.

Vaccine Availability Predicted

The manufacturers have told him they expect to have available about eight million doses by mid-September, including about four million shots ordered by the Defense Department.

Uncle Sam's warning is the latest development in a somewhat feverish campaign the drug industry, Public Health Service and military have been carrying on in recent months to combat a new type of flu spreading from the Far East. Vaccine makers have been working on their product since May 22. First spotted in Asia, the flu has already swept through the Middle East, is attacking South America now and has been spotted in about 11,000 cases in the U. S. Three deaths have been attributed to the disease here, Dr. Burney said, but not all have been proven to have been caused by it.

Because the "bug" is apparently a brand-new strain, humans haven't built up a natural immunity to it, doctors explain. Therefore, they warn, without immunization—or possibly even with it—great numbers are liable to come down with the sickness.

Dr. Burney foresaw the possibility that 10% of the people in any area might come down with the new flu during its four-to-six week sweep through the area. If epidemics occur, they could sweep from San Francisco to Boston in as short a time as four weeks, he warned.

No Estimate of Vaccine Cost

How much the vaccine would cost an individual hasn't been figured out, Dr. Burney said. He expected it would be somewhat higher than the 20 to 40 cents per shot paid by the military for bulk orders. Doctor fees for administering the vaccine would be extra.

Other details of the vaccine, which is still being tested: It gives protection in 10 to 14 days. Protection lasts about a year. The drug is currently expected to stay good at least 18 months.

Makers of antibiotics, such as penicillin, have also received a government plea for stepped up production. The doctors figure these curatives will be needed to fight secondary infections—pneumonia, for instance—which might follow the flu.

Vaccine makers haven't received any promise of government aid if they're stuck with unsold shots, Dr. Burney said. He added that the Public Health Service had told the drug makers only that it expected a widespread Asiatic flu type and had promised to urge people to get the flu shots.

Bond Markets
Long-Term Treasuries Rise a Bit as Liens Are Generally Firmer

By a WALL STREET JOURNAL Staff Reporter
NEW YORK—A slight rise in long-term U. S. Government bonds set the tone for a firm, but quiet, bond market.

Some dealers closed the Victory Loan 2½s of December, 1967-72 at 87 2-32 bid, up 6-32. The 40-year 3s were bid at 88 4-32, up 4-32, and the 3½s of June, 1978-83 gained 2-32 at 93 8-32 bid.

The Treasury's newly introduced two-to-four-year 4s were quoted 100 9-32 bid at the close.

After a slow opening, investment grade corporates picked up fractional gains in price, and some traders reported an improvement in the afternoon's volume as well.

Rails also took a firmer tone in the afternoon, although the B & O 4s of '80 sold up almost 2 points early in the day, and lost most of that gain later.

The municipal mart was quiet and steady. Revenue bonds were mixed.

Chile 5s gained over a point in a moderately active trading day for foreign liens.

Big Board convertibles were mostly off, with Bethlehem Steel 3½s down almost 5 points.

Bogota Exchange Offer Extended

The exchange deadline for two Bogota, Colombia, issues has been extended from August 1, 1957 to February 1, 1958. The two are City of Bogota, Colombia, 8% external sinking fund bonds, due October 1, 1945, and Municipality of Bogota Power & Light consolidation loan of 1927 external 6½% secured sinking fund bonds, due April 1, 1947; both are exchangeable for Republic of Colombia 3% external sinking fund bonds, due October 1, 1970.

Los Angeles Paste Co. Sold

CHICAGO—Paisley Products, Inc., adhesives producing subsidiary of Morningstar, Nicol, Inc., has acquired Los Angeles Paste Co., Murray Stempel, executive vice president of Paisley, announced. Price was not disclosed.

Raw materials, finished products and processing equipment of Los Angeles Paste will be transferred to Paisley's Worcester division in Los Angeles.

Anchor Post Products
ANCHOR POST PRODUCTS, INC., and wholly-owned subsidiaries report for six months ended June 30:

	1957	1956
Earnings per share	\$1.89	\$1.24
Sales	\$2,331,333	\$4,829,827
Net income after taxes	\$275,008	\$489,227
Capital shares	308,143	379,736

a—includes non-recurring gain of \$123,290, or 35 cents a share, realized on sale of company's heating division. For the quarter ended March 31, last, net income was \$48,240 or 12 cents a share as compared with \$43,978 or 12 cents a share in the like 1956 period.

The merger of
ELLIOTT COMPANY
into
CARRIER CORPORATION
became effective at the close of
business July 31, 1957

Elliott Company will continue under its present management as an operating division of Carrier Corporation

Albert, In New York, Accepts Subpoena for SEC Bellanca Hearing

He Hadn't Known SEC Was Looking for Him, Attorney Says; Board to Meet on Strategy

By a WALL STREET JOURNAL Staff Reporter
NEW YORK—Sydney L. Albert, president of Bellanca Corp., popped up in New York yesterday to accept a subpoena to appear August 20 before the Securities and Exchange Commission, which is investigating the company's financial affairs—but his previous whereabouts remained as much a mystery as ever.

Mr. Albert reportedly came to New York by arrangement with his lawyers specifically to accept the subpoena, and to attend a Bellanca board meeting today. Albert Kahn, Mr. Albert's personal lawyer, said Mr. Albert had been "available and willing" to answer the subpoena ever since it was issued July 15, but hadn't known the S.E.C. was looking for him. Mr. Albert couldn't be located for comment.

At the board meeting today, Milton S. Gould and Bernard Cahn, Bellanca attorneys, will report to the group on the progress so the public hearings the S.E.C. has been holding in Washington and receive instructions from the board as to how to proceed from here on. Presumably up for discussion will be an offer Mr. Gould has made to the S.E.C. to give the commission all the information it wants about Bellanca's dealings, and to recommend a new board of directors which would not include Mr. Albert or any of his associates.

Purpose of Hearings

The S.E.C. called the current hearings to determine whether Bellanca's common stock should be delisted from the American Stock Exchange or suspended for 12 months. The commission has charged Bellanca with inadequate and inaccurate reports on its complex financial transactions in 1955 and 1956, and has already suspended the stock temporarily from trading both on the American Exchange and the over-the-counter market.

Bellanca contends the S.E.C. has never told it just what information it wants.

The service of the subpoena, according to Mr. Kahn, came about this way: Mr. Kahn last week read in the newspapers that the S.E.C. was looking for Mr. Albert and phoned Mr. Albert to tell him so. Mr. Albert reportedly replied that he was perfectly willing to accept the document, and Mr. Kahn then arranged to have the subpoena served yesterday in Mr. Gould's New York office. An S.E.C. official in New York confirmed that the subpoena had been served, but gave no other details.

Mr. Albert's Whereabouts

Where had Mr. Albert been since July 15? Mr. Kahn said he knew, but wouldn't tell. He said, the S.E.C. had never got in touch with him to ask, either.

Bernard Cahn, who said he saw Mr. Albert briefly yesterday, said he had asked Mr. Albert: "Hi, Sid, where have you been?" He said Mr. Albert shrugged, and replied only that he had been "attending to business," and had taken a brief vacation. Mr. Albert also said he had been at his home in Akron, Ohio, until after the S.E.C. hearings started July 10, Mr. Cahn reported, but didn't say when he left or precisely where he went from there.

Albert Kahn said Mr. Albert testified before the S.E.C. "very fully" this spring when the S.E.C. was "laying the groundwork" for the current hearings. But he added that the S.E.C. hadn't summoned Mr. Albert at the time it was serving subpoenas on other witnesses who have appeared at the hearings, and so Mr. Albert hadn't known that the S.E.C. wanted him.

Indiana Standard Net Rose 8.8% in 1st Half Over Year Ago Period

CHICAGO—Standard Oil Co. (Indiana) and subsidiaries reported a net income of \$82,576, 935 for the first half of 1957, up 8.8% from the like period last year.

For the first time in the company's history, total income for any half topped \$1 billion at \$1,049,464,585, compared with \$947,909,818 for the like 1956 period.

Robert E. Wilson, chairman, and Frank O. Prior, president, said, "Net production of crude oil and natural gas liquids averaged 330,730 barrels per day, compared with 301,857 barrels for a similar period a year ago," a 10.8% increase.

Refinery through-put of crude oil and na-

Universal Consolidated Oil
UNIVERSAL CONSOLIDATED OIL CO. reports for quarter ended June 30:

	1957	1956
Earnings per share	\$3.99	\$3.89
Net income after taxes	\$45,388	\$55,745
Capital shares	\$55,004	\$55,004
Six months ended June 30:		
Earnings per share	\$2.81	\$1.83
Net income after taxes	\$1,927,137	\$1,734,004

Prices of Recent Securities Issues

The original offering price and Street market are indicated below for recent issues of selected securities that are not listed on a principal exchange.

UTILITY BONDS			
Issues	Offering Price	Bid	Asked
Gen Ill Light 4½s '87	100.80	98½	99½
Del P & L 5s '87	101.375	104½	104½
Georgia Pow 5½s '87	102.29	104½	104½
Gen'l Teleph 5s '87	100	101½	102½
Jer Cen P&L 5s '87	101.563	98½	99
Met Ed 4½s '87	101½	100½	100½
Mich Wisc Pl 6½s '77	102.880	103½	104
N Y Teleph 4½s '91	101.755	99½	99½
Nor Sta Pow 4½s '87	100	98½	99
Pacific G & E 5s '89	100.798	102½	103
Puget S P&L 6½s '87	103.459	105½	106
Sou Bell Tele 5s '86	102.32	104½	105
Sou Cal Edis 4½s '82	100.73	101½	101½
Sou Cal Gas 5½s '83	101.807	104	104½
Texas El Ser 4½s '87	101.60	100½	100½
Tenn Gas Trs 6s '77	99	100½	101½
West Penn P 4½s '87	101.66	101½	102½
Wis Tele 4½s '92	101½	98½	99½
OTHER BONDS			
Chance Vght 6½s '77	100	93	94
Trans Contn 5s '77	101.63	96	97
PREFERRED STOCKS			
Kaiser Alum 4.75% 100	104½	106½	
McLouth Steel 5% 100	102	102½	
COMMON STOCKS			
Carrier Prod	22	31	31½

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\$3,000,000
City of Birmingham, Alabama
5%, 3.60% and 3.90% School Improvement Bonds

Dated July 1, 1957

Bonds maturing on and after July 1, 1963 may be redeemed in whole, or in part, in inverse numerical order, on July 1, 1962 or on any interest payment date thereafter, at par and accrued interest plus a premium equal to six months' interest.

Principal and semi-annual interest (January 1 and July 1) payable in New York, N.Y., or Birmingham, Alabama. Coupon bonds in the denomination of \$1,000 each, registrable as to principal only.

Interest exempt, in the opinion of counsel, from all present Federal Income Taxes.

Tax exempt in the State of Alabama under existing law.

THESE BONDS will constitute, in the opinion of counsel, valid and legally binding general obligations of the City of Birmingham, Alabama, payable as to both principal and interest from ad valorem taxes which may be levied upon all the taxable property within said City, within the limitations imposed by law.

Amount	Rate	Due	Yield	Amount	Rate	Due	Yield
\$150,000	5%	1958	2.60%	\$150,000	3.60%	1963	3.40%
150,000	5	1959	2.80	150,000	3.60	1964	3.50
150,000	5	1960	3.00	150,000	3.60	1965	100
150,000	5	1961	3.15	150,000	3.60	1966	3.65
150,000	5	1962	3.30	450,000	3.90	1973-75	100

(Accrued interest to be added)

These bonds are offered when, as and if issued and received by us, subject to prior sale and approval of legality by Messrs. Wood, King & Dawson, Attorneys of New York, New York.

Blyth & Co., Inc. Chemical Corn Exchange Bank Smith, Barney & Co.
Salomon Bros. & Hutzler Hallgarten & Co. First of Michigan Corporation
W. E. Hutton & Co. Alex. Brown & Sons A. M. Kidder & Co., Inc.
Hendrix & Mayes First National Bank Scharff & Jones
Stubbs, Smith & Lombardo, Inc. of Mobile Field, Richards & Co.
Stranahan, Harris & Company Thornton, Mohr and Farish
Winslow, Cohn & Stetson H. V. Sattley & Co.
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ELLIOTT COMPANY

The undersigned acted as financial advisors to Elliott Company in connection with the merger of Elliott Company into Carrier Corporation.

F. EBERSTADT & Co.

August 2, 1957

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The American Tobacco Company
208TH COMMON DIVIDEND

A regular dividend of One Dollar (\$1.00) per share has been declared upon the Common Stock of THE AMERICAN TOBACCO COMPANY, payable in cash on September 3, 1957, to stockholders of record at the close of business August 9, 1957. Checks will be mailed.

July 30, 1957
HARRY L. HILYARD
Vice President and Treasurer

Dividend Notice

The Board of Directors has declared dividends on both classes of its stock to shareholders of record August 9, 1957, as follows:

Common (Par Value \$1.00 per share).....\$.30 payable Sept. 3, 1957
\$3.75 Cumulative Preferred..\$.93% payable Sept. 14, 1957

Armstrong Lancaster, Pennsylvania
Walter E. Hadley, Jr., Treasurer

Temco's 2nd Quarter Indicated Net Sharply Above First Period

DALLAS—Indicated second quarter 1956 Temco Aircraft Corp. was nearly triple the first quarter profit, but earnings for the six months ended June 30 this year were nearly 29% less than the like 1955 period.

For the 1937 first half, Temco reported of \$1,018,000, equal to 61 cents a share, from the \$1,425,350 or 86 cents a share, in the 1936 six months.

For the first quarter of 1957, Temco was \$294,798, or 18 cents a share, compared with \$644,847, equal to 38 cents a share, a year earlier.

Starting costs of several major projects were absorbed during the first half of the year, Temco officials said.

Six months sales were up to \$61.6 compared with \$39,634,000 a year ago. The backlog of work is about \$172 million, compared with \$170 million on hand at the end of the first quarter.

"The Defense Department slow-down

TEMCO AIRCRAFT CORP. reports for six ended June 30:

	1937	1936
Earned per share	\$ 61	\$ 84
Sales	\$1,640,000	\$9,634,337
Profit before inco tax	2,142,508	2,961,036
Income taxes	1,310,508	1,534,790
Net income	1,832,000	1,426,250
Common shares	1,676,827	1,676,852

	1937	b
a-Earned per common share	\$ 79	
Net sales	\$3,719,000	90
Net before income taxes	3,171,000	c-3
Net income after taxes	1,821,000	1
Div. English subsid.	200,000	

Adj. conv. (gn assets)	91,000	
Net income	1,981,000	
Common shares	3,372,624	
Six months ended June 30:		
a-Earned per common share	81.94	
Net sales	177,158,000	174
Net before income taxes	4,614,000	c-8
Net income after taxes	1,973,000	
Div. from English subsid	337,000	
t/d/		

Net income 2,718,000
a-After preferred dividends. b-Restated by com-
pany to prorate adjustments made during that year. c-
\$366,000 of profit from sale of one-half the Crater
interest in Heavy Minerals Co.

Montana-Dakota Utilities
MONTANA-DAKOTA UTILITIES CO. reports

	1957	1956
a-Earned per com share	\$1.00	\$0.97
Operating revenues	14,592,283	13,844,536
b-Net income	2,345,229	2,227,635
Average common shrs	3,000,221	2,000,221

a-After preferred dividends. b-After charges and

appears below. Further details of the large
here in this issue. Unless otherwise noted F
income.

	---Net Income---	Earning Common	
od	1937	1938	1937

30	885,789	875,713	1.44
30	1,955,537	4,158,022	.26
30	5,349,011	8,282,186	.73
30	452,792	607,878	.70
30	275,008	p469,227	a.69
30	1,689,454	1,827,197	.44
30	3,824,934	3,733,873	1.03

30	887,754	829,579	1.10
30	308,000	878,834	.27
30	725,000	1,288,148	.65
30	1,952,987	1,733,434	1.07
30	839,900	812,500	1.06
30	1,597,607	2,314,434	.85
30	3,306,173	4,116,288	1.77

30	543,571	350,210	a.34
30	915,441	647,257	a.91
30	1,115,757	707,768	1.03
30	2,125,989	1,457,061	1.95
31	36,179,000	35,510,000	a.48
30	288,800	288,887	.35

30	1,991,000	3,092,000	.79
30	2,718,000	5,107,000	1.04
30	18,778,000	24,973,000	1.31
30	1,666,428	1,789,857	1.26
30	3,629,510	3,292,922	2.74
30	7,544,484	6,754,049	5.70

30	1,133,463	1,607,118	.89
30	1,870,535	1,834,013	.40
30	2,423,052	2,404,509	2.37
30	4,260,671	4,498,078	4.13
30	d125,287	80,902
30	61,608	20,383	.55
30	133,492	21,364	1.19

30	714,000	1,072,800	n.60
30	1,570,168	1,794,216	1.82
30	2,569,321	2,753,454	2.96
30	822,228	671,202	3.27
30	6,511,000	6,526,000	3.08
30	409,617	973,350	.66
30	155,874	d11,161	.25

	668,672	549,548	1.09
30	9,671,654	6,751,569	6.34
30	388,084	442,008	.91
30	m2.016,205	m1.903,631	4.28
30	485,460	592,032	1.31
30	2,345,229	2,227,635	1.00
30	5,311,043	4,739,220	2.45

30	14,600,060	11,284,564	a1.06
30	22,394,881	21,103,790	a1.62
30	13,634,124	13,031,175	b1.24
30	j7,889,294	j9,213,266	2.81
30	43,497,962	38,164,838
30	6,092,000	6,890,000	a2.07
30	d40,114	d93,358
30	1,274,317	1,093,000

30	4,274,317	4,087,773	.82
30	9,915,838	9,904,421	1.43
30	868,241	1,065,118	1.50
30	193,000	312,000	.41
30	529,000	487,000	1.12
30	265,526	h677,456	.94
30	622,185	h1,050,747	2.23
30	53,412	d25,950	.61

00	124,078	288,735	.37
00	689,926	598,433	.94
00	127,001	
00	260,401	458,496	.54
00	82,576,935	75,903,508	b2.33
00	521,761	770,723	.40
00	1,018,000	1,426,350	.61

194,840	k169,153	.41
355,276	k254,818	.75
7,399,939	6,587,926	.96
16,727,071	13,618,151	2.17
945,986	855,745	.99
1,927,137	1,754,032	2.01
248,81920

	3,823,335	5,343,670	2.54
(c)	504,043	d234,975	.77
(d)	787,325	909,337	1.18

the period. (b) Based on average number of shares outstanding during the period. (c) Based on shares now outstanding. (d) Net income per share. (e) Adjusted to reflect stock split or other changes in capitalization. (f) Price of \$218,262, or 83 cents per common share.

of \$873,174 in 1937 and \$503,742 in 1956. (k) In liquidation of heating and cooling division shares. (p) Includes nonrecurring gain of company's heating division.



Super-Union: Transport Worker Combine Appeals to Jimmy Hoffa

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graphers, who often is spokesman for 730,000 members of 11 non-operating railroad unions during contract negotiations. Said he: "I doubt the feasibility of such a plan but I'm willing to listen. We are always interested in improving our bargaining procedures."

But other leaders chose merely to retreat into silence.

Said H. E. Gilbert, head of the A.F.L.-C.I.O. Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen: "I don't have any authority to make any commitment beyond what is determined by our convention." As to his personal view, he said, "I'd have to know a lot more about it before I'd comment." In Cincinnati, a top official of the Railway Clerks stated, "Anyone who would comment on that would be a damn fool." Asked why, he answered, "I'm not going to say anything."

George Meany, Walter Reuther and other top officials of the A.F.L.-C.I.O. also declined comment on the suggestion that a larger transport union be built around the nucleus of Mr. Hoffa's Teamsters.

Reaction to Bridges' Suggestions

In Washington and across the land, Government officials and businessmen chaff at the potential power of a trucker-dockworker combine such as Harry Bridges has suggested. Such an alliance would be a "menace to society that could paralyze the whole country," proclaimed Sen. Ives of New York, ranking G.O.P. member of the McClellan labor racket committee. "The Teamsters could tie up the country right now if they wanted. They don't need any more power," wryly commented Felix S. Hales, president of the New York, Chicago & St. Louis Railroad Co.

The head of a Philadelphia stevedore agency remarked: "It would be the handwriting on the wall. They'd tell us what to do and we'd have to do it." Rep. Hoffman (R., Mich.) says, "If such a federation (of longshoremen and Teamsters) calls a strike, they could starve us into submission in six days."

The president of a Pittsburgh company which employs truckers pauses, and reflects: "I'm bitter about unions. I carried a Teamsters card for a long time when I was younger, but unionism is getting to be just a big business nowadays—not much regard for the individual members."

Most businessmen interviewed throughout the country spoke less rhetorically, more specifically about what a Teamster-longshoremen merger would do to their particular concerns.

The president of Portland Freight Lines, Inc., Portland, Ore., George P. Davis, predicts that if the alliance does come, "you're going to see some real fireworks break loose when the present contract with the Teamsters in 11 Western states runs out, (on May 18, 1958). At least you could sit down and talk to 'Jesse Beck'."

A large supplier of industrial equipment in the Pittsburgh area already is considering buying and operating its own trucks if trouble starts. A Great Lakes shipping company official foresees jurisdictional strife, should Mr. Hoffa come to the aid of Capt. Bradley's gangsters in that region. Broad legislation to bring labor unions under the antitrust laws is suggested by some, including Sen. Curtis (R., Neb.). "I'm definitely and absolutely for Federal legislation similar to antitrust laws governing business, so the formation of union combines can be regulated," avers Herman Pott, chairman of Federal Barge Lines, a subsidiary of St. Louis Shipbuilding & Steel Co.

Will The Canopy Be Lowered?

Legislation to lower the canopy of antitrust laws over labor unions is being discussed in the Eisenhower Administration now. (Unions

are now immune from antitrust complaints unless it can be shown they conspired with employers.)

Labor Secretary Mitchell, who's in on the studies, says the Administration has no specific plans in mind.

One member of the McClellan committee, considering the possibility of a marriage between longshoremen and Teamster groups, insists: "The alliance is none of Congress' business, and I don't know why we should do anything at all about it. The Senator, McNamara (D., Mich.) believes such an alliance would weaken rather than increase the power of the unions involved; the merged union, he says, could do nothing more than individual unions do now by agreement if they sympathize with each other's aims."

A handful of businessmen seemed to agree that the Hoffa-Bridges-Bradley combination would only make formal what is now often an informal working arrangement.

George Kolowich, president of the coast-to-coast Denver Chicago Trucking Co. says in Denver that if the merger goes through, it wouldn't make much difference as far as he can see. "It's much like the merger of the A.F.L.-C.I.O. It didn't change anything just because they were bigger," says he, perhaps hopefully.

And in the same vein, James D. Edgett, president of the big North American Van Lines, of Fort Wayne, Ind., says: "A lie-up between Teamsters and longshoremen wouldn't affect us much. I don't see how the Teamsters could be any stronger than they are. They are as strong as any union could possibly get."

Most other employers of either truckers or longshoremen were less optimistic, though. "They would have it from port to consumer, then, wouldn't they?" says William R. Barnes, attorney for eight St. Louis paper warehousing companies, struck since January 21 by 200 Teamsters; he refers, of course, to the effects of a merger of the three union organizations, and concludes: "It frightens one."

"Don't Quote Me"

Wall Street Journal reporters in more than a dozen cities, talking to scores of businessmen, repeatedly encountered men who must deal with the Teamsters and felt it unpolitic to discuss Mr. Hoffa's future or his programs. The president of a large national trucking firm, headquartered in the Midwest, gave this rather typical explanation: "Any comment should come from people who are not in a position to be penalized for any remarks that might be made." The most extreme example of this attitude came from a man in the Great Lakes shipping field, who expressed distress at Teamster ambitions but claimed that speaking on the record "might be in inviting sudden death." Said the president of a Texas trucking firm, refusing all comment: "We've had trouble with the Teamsters when we talked about their affairs."

John L. Wilson, executive vice president of Anheuser-Busch, Inc., St. Louis brewer, had "absolutely no comment whatsoever," when asked about the scheme to unite longshoremen and Teamsters. "I don't see how you can ask any industry executive a question like that," he protested.

About the only business representative encountered who appeared friendly to the proposed alliance was Ralph E. Casey, president of the American Merchant Marine Institute, which represents most East Coast and Gulf ship companies in labor problems.

The advent of roll-on, roll-off ships may make it valuable to have the Teamsters and Longshoremen in one union, he declared. These ships will accommodate cargo trailers, much

First National City Says Buildup of Inventories May Hit Late '57 Buying

By a WALL STREET JOURNAL Staff Reporter

NEW YORK — Economists of First National City Bank of New York believe a resumption of inventory accumulation in the second quarter may mean that finished goods are backing up in the hands of manufacturers. What's more, the bank adds, the buildup of stocks now seems to eliminate a source of demand that many had been hoping would be a stimulus to the economy in the fourth quarter.

These comments are contained in the bank's economic letter for August which notes that for the present, the general business trend "is still sideways and indecisive, at a high level." But conflicting influences in the economy, the bank adds, prevent a clear view of future prospects for another couple of months.

The basic inconsistency in the picture today, according to First National City, "is that while there are fewer scarcities of goods and materials and less complete utilization of productive capacity in overall terms, there is nevertheless steady upward pressure upon costs and prices, and a continuing intense demand for money."

The bank believes "the backlog of corporate financing which will come either to the public market or to the banks this fall is enormous." It also looks for the auto industry to be a strong fourth quarter spur to the economy as a result of substantial model changeovers and a vigorous sales push. But offsetting this, one of the main sources of concern to the bank's economists is that factories in many lines may not have sufficient orders to sustain their usual output.

First National City said the second-quarter inventory accumulation developed despite the efforts of factories to buy raw materials conservatively and to keep stocks low.

C&NW Seeks to Acquire Litchfield & Madison Line

CHICAGO — The Chicago & North Western Railway Co. filed for Interstate Commerce Commission approval of its plan for control of the Litchfield & Madison Railway Co.

The C. & N.W. has agreed to acquire 98.9% of the outstanding common stock of the smaller profitable line, and is willing to buy the remaining shares, for a total cost of \$8 million. Planning to merge the Litchfield line, the C. & N.W. also asked I.C.C. okay of financing the purchase through an \$8 million collateral installment note with an interest rate of 5 1/2%.

A spokesman for the Illinois Central Railroad Co. said the company's legal counsel has "under study" a possible move to oppose the C. & N.W. plan but no decision has been reached.

The Litchfield Railway links East St. Louis, Ill., with Benld, Ill., where it has a freight interchange with the C. & N.W. Annual net income of the 44-mile line averaged \$331,000 in the last five years.

Aluminum Follows Price Rise

NEW YORK — Aluminum, Ltd., large Canadian producer, followed the price rise on aluminum previously announced by the "big three" U. S. companies—Aluminum Co. of America, Reynolds Metals Co. and Kaiser Aluminum & Chemical Corp.

In the manner of piggyback railcars. Jurisdictional disputes between the two unions now loom, because the new type of ship loading would eliminate most ordinary stevedoring work. Mr. Casey commented that an alliance could solve this jurisdictional question within the union, rather than at the expense of the companies.

ODM Will Stop Buying Lead, Zinc In a Few Months

Stockpile Needs Will Be Met, Gray Says; Agencies Urge Higher Duties on Imports

Democrats Criticize Proposal

By a WALL STREET JOURNAL Staff Reporter

WASHINGTON — The Government served notice it will stop buying lead and zinc for the nation's strategic stockpile in the next few months.

Defense Mobilization Gordon Gray, whose agency has authorized month-to-month buying of the metals at depressed prices, told Congress that "at the current rate of procurement, it will be only a matter of months before the long-term stockpile objective for zinc is fully on hand." The goal for lead will be attained "in not many months thereafter," he declared.

The Office of Defense Mobilization chief made his disclosure in testimony before the House Ways and Means Committee in favor of adoption of an Administration-backed bill to boost U. S. tariffs on lead and zinc imports. Six other Administration agencies spoke up for the bill, while a long line of lead and zinc mining companies, mine union spokesmen and Congressmen from mining states urged the committee to go even beyond the Administration plan in raising import taxes.

Part of Long-Range Program

The measure, which provides for a rise in lead and zinc import taxes as domestic prices drop, is part of the Administration's long-term program for helping the domestic mining industry.

Mr. Gray declared the legislation was needed to maintain a healthy mining industry because long-term stockpile objectives for lead and zinc will be fulfilled in the near future. He added, "There appears to be no justification for 'increasing these objectives,' strongly indicating the industries could not count on Government purchases for stockpile use later on."

Also testifying for the bill were spokesmen for the Departments of Interior, State, Commerce, Treasury, Labor and Defense.

Some Democrats on the committee sharply attacked the Administration proposal, claiming not only that the plan went counter to the Administration's professed free foreign trade policy but also that President Eisenhower had ample authority to act to protect the domestic industry without any new action from Congress.

State Department Official Testifies

Willis C. Armstrong, acting Assistant Secretary of State for Economic Affairs, endorsed the bill as needed to protect the domestic lead and zinc mining industry, but warned that the U. S. would have to make other tariff concessions or suffer higher tariffs in foreign countries. Under international agreements in the trade field, he declared, if one country withdraws a tariff concession—which would be involved in the lead and zinc bill—it must grant other countries compensating concessions on other products or these nations can withdraw some of the tariff concessions previously granted the U. S.

Several foreign countries that supply lead and zinc to the U. S. have already protested the Administration's duty bill, Mr. Armstrong said, and the U. S. is in the process of notifying these countries it will negotiate this fall for compensating concessions or on concessions the foreign countries would like to withdraw.

Rep. Mills (D., Ark.) insisted that under the trade agreements act the President could take any action necessary to limit lead and zinc imports if the imports threatened national security. He said he felt the President should take such action before asking Congress to raise tariffs.

However, Defense Mobilization gray said the Administration program was not so much aimed at protecting national security as maintaining a healthy peace-time industry, and therefore the Presidential power could not be used.

Democrats Charge Contradictions

Reps. Boggs (D., La.) and Eberhardt (D., Pa.) charged the proposal contradicted other Administration proposals for relaxing trade barriers and warned that it would establish a precedent under which other industries would ask Congress for special relief.

Interior Under Secretary Hatfield Chilton warned that if imports of lead and zinc continued to come into this country at present rates, "they will inflict a permanent setback to the domestic industries."

Commerce Under Secretary Walter Williams said the result of the bill would be merely to cut back imports about the same amount that domestic mine owners are being forced to curtail production.

Speaking for the emergency lead-zinc committee of mine owners, Charles E. Schwab charged that foreign producers have "swamped American markets" and forced down U. S. prices. He said that the Administration proposed scale of import taxes would not be enough to help out the domestic industry to regain its strength, and that higher tariffs must be voted by Congress in order to enable U. S. producers to compete with foreign mine owners.

A similar argument came from Howard I. Young, president of the American Zinc, Lead & Smelting Co. "We believe," he declared in a statement submitted for the record, "that there must be a more adequate excise tax to save our zinc and lead mining industry from certain disaster, and that immediate action is absolutely necessary."

Eastman Kodak Unit to Sell New Lofted Acetate Yarn

NEW YORK — Eastman Chemical Products, Inc., a subsidiary of Eastman Kodak Co., announced the development of a new denier, multi-filament lofted (fluffed) acetate yarn to replace its 350 denier type now being produced.

The company said the new yarn, made by the Tennessee Eastman Co. division of Kodak, will provide "an unusually soft, luxurious hand," while having the same performance in the mill as the old yarn. The new, like the old fibre, will be used primarily in shirt, dress and sportswear fabrics.

Production in commercial quantities of the new yarn will begin this October and the older fibre will go out of production at the same time. Prices of the new fibre will be the same as the 350 denier yarn. Natural color (white) will sell at 95 cents a pound, Chromspun black at \$1.08 a pound and Chromspun colors at \$1.28 a pound.

Arkansas-Louisiana Gas Well

SHREVEPORT, La. — Arkansas Louisiana Gas Co. announced completion of its No. 1 Pipes Estate discovery well in Ouachita Parish, La., as a prolific gas-condensate producer from a Cotton Valley sand.

The well had an absolute open flow of 7,100,000 cubic feet of gas and 1,875 barrels of 58.8 gravity condensate a day from perforations at 9,121 to 9,124 feet. The company said on six-hour test the well flowed at a rate of 1,148 barrels of condensate and 4,799,000 cubic feet of gas a day through a 20-64ths-inch opening.

The Pipes discovery is on a 6,000-acre block, owned 100% by Arkansas Louisiana Gas located about 15 miles east of Monroe, La. Nearest production is in the Cadeville field, six miles to the southeast, and Ruston field, 15 miles to the west. In addition the company has under lease about 5,000 acres in the Trend area.

Potomac Electric Power Company

Notice of Availability of Earnings Statement

With reference to Section 11(a) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and pursuant to the provisions of its Common Stock and Bond underwriting agreements dated June 4, 1956, Potomac Electric Power Company has made generally available to its security holders an earnings statement covering the twelve month period ended June 30, 1957. Copies of such earnings statement will be furnished upon request.

POTOMAC ELECTRIC POWER COMPANY
By: CHAS. L. CARR
Comptroller

WASHINGTON 4, D. C.
August 2, 1957

THE RYAN AERONAUTICAL CO.

DIVIDEND NOTICE

A regular quarterly dividend of 10 cents per share on the common capital stock of The Ryan Aeronautical Co. was declared by the Board of Directors at a regular meeting on July 26, 1957. This cash dividend is payable September 6, 1957, to stockholders of record August 16, 1957.

T. CLAUDE RYAN, President
San Diego, California July 26, 1957



TAYLOR FIBRE CO.

Dividend Notice

On July 30, 1957, the Board of Directors of Taylor Fibre Co. declared the following dividends on Preferred and Common Stock of the company:

Semi-annual dividend of \$2 per share (4%) on Preferred Stock, payable December 28, 1957 to stockholders of record December 13, 1957.

Quarterly dividend of \$0.66 per share on Common Stock, payable September 2, 1957 to stockholders of record August 15, 1957.

JOHN M. TAYLOR, JR.
President



Harrisburg, Pa. Le Verne, Calif.

PHELPS DODGE CORPORATION

Dividend Notice

The Board of Directors has declared a third quarter dividend of Seventy-five Cents (75¢) per share on the capital stock of this Corporation, payable September 10, 1957 to stockholders of record August 16, 1957.

M. W. URQUHART,
Treasurer

July 31, 1957

TEXAS PACIFIC COAL AND OIL COMPANY

Cash Dividend

No. 192
September 5, 1957
At the regular monthly meeting held July 21, 1957, the Board of Directors declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 25 cents a share, payable September 5, 1957, to stockholders of record at close of business August 9, 1957.

By: R. Seibel, Secretary

ATLAS POWDER COMPANY

Common Dividend

The Directors have declared a quarterly dividend of 20 cents a share on the Common Stock, payable September 10, 1957, to holders of record August 27, 1957.

P. W. PARVIN
Secretary & Treasurer

August 1, 1957

NOTICE OF SINKING FUND PAYMENT

SOUTHERN NEVADA POWER CO.
FIRST MORTGAGE 5% BONDS
SERIES "C"

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to all holders and owners of First Mortgage 5% Bonds, Series "C", due September 1, 1958, of Southern Nevada Power Co., a Nevada corporation (the "Company"), issued under and secured by the Indenture dated October 1, 1952, and Second Supplemental Indenture dated September 1, 1954, executed by the Company to First National Bank of Nevada, Reno, Nevada, as Trustee, that pursuant to the provisions of said Bonds and said Indentures, the Trustee has selected to pay on September 1, 1957, through the Series "C" Sinking Fund, the following Bonds outstanding, to-wit:

No. 31	No. 32	No. 33	No. 34	No. 35
58	67	199	239	289
59	68	200	240	290
60	69	201	241	291
61	70	202	242	292
62	71	203	243	293
63	72	204	244	294
64	73	205	245	295
65	74	206	246	296
66	75	207	247	297
67	76	208	248	298
68	77	209	249	299
69	78	210	250	300
70	79	211	251	301
71	80	212	252	302
72	81	213	253	303
73	82	214	254	304
74	83	215	255	305
75	84	216	256	306
76	85	217	257	307
77	86	218	258	308
78	87	219	259	309
79	88	220	260	310
80	89	221	261	311
81	90	222	262	312

All of the above enumerated Bonds will be paid in the principal amount thereof, together with accrued interest thereon, to said date of redemption and a premium of 1% upon such principal amount.

The interest on each of said Bonds will cease to accrue from and after September 1, 1957. At the option of the Trustee, Bonds may be presented for payment on September 1, 1957, at the First National City Bank, New York City, or the Trust Department of the First National Bank of Nevada, 115 South Third Street, Las Vegas, Nevada.

DATED at Las Vegas, Nevada, this 22nd day of July, 1957.

FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF NEVADA
Trustee
W. C. Brown
Trust Officer

ATTENT: N. P. DeCoster
Assistant Secretary

CITIZENS UTILITIES COMPANY

First Mortgage and Collateral Trust Bonds

5 1/2% Series, Due 1978

SINKING FUND REDEMPTION NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, pursuant to the provisions of Section 5.17 of Article V of the Indenture of Mortgage and Deed of Trust dated as of March 1, 1947, as supplemented, The Citizens Utilities Company of New York, as Corporate Trustee, has drawn by lot for redemption on September 1, 1957, through operation of the Sinking Fund, \$89,000 principal amount of the above described Bonds of the denomination of \$1,000 each, bearing the following serial numbers:

19	546	1296	2142	2922	3476	4168
59	609	1319	2162	2942	3502	4194
64	704	1332	2200	2991	3575	4210
144	760	1363	2238	3012	3588	4248
201	874	1451	2252	3018	3584	4298
270	849	1466	2293	3108	3659	4300
287	942	1535	2308	3211	3743	4348
399	960	1512	2327	3255	3841	4355
404	1094	1604	2402	3305	3872	4415
410	1193	1646	2711	3344	3904	4482
481	1244	1673	2751	3361	4021	4497
495	1259	2003	2819	3373	4078	
543	1292	2036	2883	3401	4121	

The Bonds so designated for redemption will become due and payable on said redemption date and will be redeemed on or after that date at the principal office of the Corporate Trustee, The Citizens Utilities Company of New York, 120 Broadway, New York 26, New York, at the current Sinking Fund redemption price, namely 103% of the principal amount thereof, together with interest accrued thereon to said redemption date and such Bonds are required to be presented for payment and redemption, with all interest coupons maturing after said redemption date attached thereto, at said office of the Corporate Trustee on September 1, 1957, on which date interest shall cease to accrue thereon. The September 1, 1957 interest coupons appearing on such Bonds designated for redemption should be detached and presented for payment in the usual manner.

CITIZENS UTILITIES COMPANY
Dated: July 19, 1957.



DIVIDEND NOTICE

The Board of Directors has declared a quarterly dividend of 25¢ per share on the common stock of the Corporation, payable Sept. 1, 1957 to shareholders of record on August 15, 1957.

H. G. Horstman, President
July 26, 1957

GENERAL OFFICES
1630 N. MERIDIAN STREET
INDIANAPOLIS 2, INDIANA

The Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company

Notice to Holders of

The Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company

Convertible 4 1/2% Income Bonds

Due February 1, 2010

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that this Company's offer dated March 27, 1956, to holders of its Convertible 4 1/2% Income Bonds due February 1, 2010, is hereby withdrawn. It was voted to pay a dividend of 30 cents per share on the 4 1/2% Debentures, Series A, due January 1, 2010, will terminate at the close of business on August 12, 1957.

Dated: August 2, 1957.

The Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company,
By H. E. SIMPSON, President

MINNESOTA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY

COMMON STOCK DIVIDEND

PAYABLE SEPTEMBER 2, 1957

The Board of Directors has declared a dividend of Thirty-Five Cents per share on the Common Stock payable September 2, 1957 to stockholders of record at the close of business on August 9, 1957.

B. A. METEQUE
Vice President and Treasurer

July 30, 1957

SIMPLEX PAPER CORPORATION

Adrian, Michigan

At a meeting of the Board of Directors of Simplex Paper Corporation, held in Detroit, Michigan, Monday, July 29th, it was voted to pay a dividend of 20 cents per share, payable August 20th, to stockholders of record August 19th.

CHAS. G. WOOD,
President-Treasurer

July 30, 1957

Quarter's Profits Rise 2.4% Over 1956 For 484 Early Reporting Corporations

The columns below show earnings reported for the second quarter of 1957 and those for the like quarter of 1956, with percentage changes by groups. Where individual company reports cover three-month periods other than calendar quarters, the nearest comparable periods have been used.

Companies:	1957	1956	yr. ago
10 Aircraft makers	\$23,300,000	\$23,237,000	up 0.3%
3 Airlines	7,246,000	14,015,000	off 48.3
22 Autos & Equipment	366,491,000	313,262,000	up 17.0
26 Building materials	99,275,000	111,752,000	off 11.2
23 Chemicals	208,855,000	205,363,000	up 1.7
17 Department stores	45,714,000	45,233,000	up 1.1
5 Distillers	12,432,000	17,233,000	off 27.8
12 Drug manufacturers	40,303,000	36,405,000	up 10.7
11 Electricals	73,541,000	69,284,000	up 6.1
7 Farm equipment	41,679,000	37,706,000	up 10.5
17 Food products	46,693,000	265,413,000	off 1.0
12 Mining & Metals	62,238,000	98,403,000	off 36.7
6 Office equipment	29,451,000	24,281,000	up 21.3
17 Petroleum products	650,274,000	568,401,000	up 14.4
5 Printing & Publishing	2,652,000	2,833,000	off 6.4
14 Pulp & Paper	35,178,000	44,610,000	off 21.1
5 Radio & Television	9,673,000	9,821,000	off 1.5
11 Railway equipment	25,197,000	22,355,000	up 12.7
5 Rubber & Rubber Goods	27,705,000	27,897,000	off 0.7
12 Textiles	3,476,000	5,565,000	off 37.6
2 Tobacco companies	11,454,000	9,741,000	up 17.5
23 Tools & Machinery	32,071,000	32,071,000	up 1.4
119 Other Industrials	\$2,275,705,000	\$2,174,577,000	up 4.6%
48 Railroads	158,496,000	205,006,000	off 22.7
29 Utilities	111,087,000	105,035,000	up 5.8
Total 484 Companies	\$2,545,288,000	\$2,484,618,000	up 2.4%

Profit Stability: Corporate Earnings Hold at High Despite Soft Spots

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stantial relief in sight, and fear a worse squeeze if Congress should extend minimum wage coverage to retail employees.

Distillers as a group show a 28% decline in earnings, all of it reflecting a drop for distillers Corp.-Seagrams, with others in the field showing profits up or down only slightly. A price increase last winter was preceded for distillers Corp. by an extra heavy demand, and followed by a sharp slump in demand. Business is said to be coming back to more normal levels.

Drug manufacturers ascribe their 11% second quarter increase, and the hope of more of the same, to the constant development and sale of new drugs.

The electrical manufacturers are for the most part reporting earnings around the year-ago levels, with big General Electric and Westinghouse making substantial gains. Second quarter profits were off 21%, and no improvement is in sight.

Farm equipment builders didn't show much change except for Deere, which reported a sharp gain in net. A mild current improvement in demand is reported for some other companies.

Food companies, whose net income also closely matched that of a year earlier in the second quarter, might do a bit better in the current period. Strikes at five of Continental Baking Co.'s plants during the 13 weeks to June 29 were responsible for a drop in its profit, and all but one of the strikes are over. In the case of Borden Co., representative of the dairy group, Harold W. Comfort, president, says the sales and earnings outlook for the third quarter is "good."

The mining and metals group is being hit in two vital spots. The price of copper during the second quarter was almost 17 cents lower than a year earlier, and while there was a sharp cut in price last summer, the present price is still more than 10 cents lower than a year ago. In addition, the makers of aluminum are selling less of the metal than they are producing. The results on earnings in both categories are dismal, with a drop of almost 37% in the second quarter and little or no promise of improvement currently, in spite

of a one-cent boost just announced in the price of aluminum.

Office equipment builders, on the other hand, pushed their net income up 21% in the second quarter from a year earlier, and continue to enjoy gains in demand.

Oil companies expect to show mixed trends for the third quarter, following a 14% gain in the second. The big units that operate abroad as well as here are likely to show continued gains, but domestic producers may be affected adversely by reduction in allowed production, particularly in Texas (though coming out of imports may help them a little); and the domestic refiners, most of whom are also producers, could be caught in a squeeze between curtailed production and currently reduced prices for refined products.

Paper producers face the problem that demand has not caught up with expansion of capacity, and that therefore they cannot raise prices enough to offset rising costs. Second quarter profits were off 21%, and no improvement is in sight.

Railway equipment and machine tool builders both enjoyed gains in second quarter earnings—13% for the railway suppliers and 1.4% for the tool makers. While they may continue ahead of 1956 in the current quarter, they are using up their order backlog and their shipments and earnings may slide off later on.

Tobacco: Higher sales and prices pulled up second quarter profits of most to a level almost 18% above a year earlier on the average, and they may do even better in the third quarter as a result of recent wholesale price boosts on both regular and king-size cigarettes. Their only worry is that sales might be damaged by recent revival of the cancer-lung controversy in connection with Congressional hearings on the effectiveness of cigarette filters.

Railroad income results, down almost 23% in the second quarter, reflect higher wages and other costs while traffic has been down. July freight traffic, however, has picked up materially in comparison with the period of the steel strike last year. Freight car loadings in the second quarter were 7.6% down from a year earlier, while in the first three weeks of July the total ran 12.8% over 1956.

Utilities expect no drastic change from their 6% second quarter gain over last year.

Dividend News

Smith-Corona Proposes Two-for-One Split, Issue of Debentures

By WALL STREET JOURNAL Staff Reporter

NEW YORK — Smith-Corona, Inc., announced it would propose a two-for-one stock split to shareholders at the annual meeting September 30.

Stockholders will also be asked to authorize an issue of \$12 million in debentures convertible into common stock upon terms to be fixed by the board of directors.

The company contemplates approximately \$5 million of the debenture issue would be offered on a pro rata basis to stockholders sometime in the fall.

The proceeds of the financing would be used in the company's expansion, diversification and research programs and to reduce bank loans, the announcement stated.

As of June 30, 1956, when the last official report was made, bank loans outstanding totaled \$1,600,000, but a company spokesman said with the recent rise in business the total has been increased.

Stockholders will also be asked to approve an increase in the authorized capital stock of the company to 1,600,000 from the present 600,000.

Under the stock split proposal, each outstanding share of present \$10 par stock would be changed into two shares of \$5 par stock effective October 7, 1957, if the proposal is approved. There are now 433,222 shares of common outstanding.

Elwyn Smith, president, confirmed an estimate earnings would be \$5 a share on sales exceeding \$30 million in the fiscal year ended June 30. In the 1956 fiscal year Smith-Corona earned \$4.27 a share on sales of \$36.9 million.

Dividends Reported August 1

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Bigelow-Seashell	7-1-57	\$1.00	8-3-57
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Stocks Ex-Dividend August 3

Company	Period	Amount	Payable Record Date
Canada & Dominion Sugar	7-1-57	\$1.00	8-3-57
Case	7-1-57	\$1.00	8-3-57
Case Corp.	7-1-57	\$1.00	8-3-57
Case Corp. 4 1/2% pf.	7-1-57	\$1.00	8-3-57
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Case Corp. 6 1/2% pf.	7-1-57	\$1.00	8-3-57
Case Corp. 7 1/2% pf.	7-1-57	\$1.00	8-3-57
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Industrial and Utility Stocks

AMP Inc. 23 1/2

Air Products 23 1/2

Air Transport 23 1/2

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Am. Gas 23 1/2

Am. Ice 23 1/2

Am. Lin. 23 1/2

Am. Oil 23 1/2

Am. Paper 23 1/2

Am. Steel 23 1/2

Am. Sugar 23 1/2

Am. T. & E. 23 1/2

Am. Text. 23 1/2

Am. Tobacco 23 1/2

Am. Transp. 23 1/2

Am. Water 23 1/2

Am. Wire 23 1/2

Am. Zinc 23 1/2

Am. Iron 23 1/2

Am. Lumber 23 1/2

Am. Machinery 23 1/2

Am. Motors 23 1/2

Am. Paints 23 1/2

Am. Petroleum 23 1/2

Am. Rubber 23 1/2

Am. Shoes 23 1/2

Am. Soap 23 1/2

Am. Stores 23 1/2

Am. Tele. 23 1/2

Am. Tires 23 1/2

Am. Tools 23 1/2

Am. Toys 23 1/2

Am. Trucks 23 1/2

Am. Uniforms 23 1/2

Am. Utilities 23 1/2

Am. Vests 23 1/2

Am. Watches 23 1/2

Am. Weaving 23 1/2

Am. Wool 23 1/2

Am. Yarn 23 1/2

Am. Zippers 23 1/2

Am. Buttons 23 1/2

Am. Cords 23 1/2

Am. Laces 23 1/2

Am. Ribbons 23 1/2

Am. Trims 23 1/2

Am. Embroidery 23 1/2

Am. Sewing 23 1/2

Am. Knitting 23 1/2

Am. Crochet 23 1/2

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Thursday, August 1, 1957

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Issues traded	Thur.	Wed.	Tues.	Mon.
Advances	137	176	148	150
Declines	137	176	148	150
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New lows, 1957	13	14	13	13

AMERICAN STOCK EXCHANGE MOST ACTIVE STOCKS			
Stock	Volume	Close	Chg.
Domestic Stocks:			
Am. Can. 100	45,100	17 1/4	+ 1/4
Am. Oil 100	35,100	17 1/4	+ 1/4
Am. Tel. & Tel. 100	35,100	17 1/4	+ 1/4
Am. Tobacco 100	35,100	17 1/4	+ 1/4
Am. Water 100	35,100	17 1/4	+ 1/4
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Wilson Says Pentagon Will Make Further Major Cuts In Military Contracts Soon Due to Economy Drive

Only Half of \$2.2 Billion Slash Needed Has Been Made So Far, He States

By a WALL STREET JOURNAL Staff Reporter
WASHINGTON—Defense Secretary Wilson disclosed further major cutbacks in military contracts are imminent as a result of the Administration's economy drive.

The Pentagon has so far made only "about half" the \$2.2 billion cut by which it must reduce its recent spending rate to stay within its budget for the new fiscal year, he told a press conference.

"The bad news (for defense contractors) is not all out yet," Mr. Wilson bluntly stated. More economy moves will be made "in the next two or three weeks," he added, and "somewhere between \$1 billion and \$1.5 billion" of the total reductions will be in procurement. The rest will come from troop cuts and lower operations and maintenance spending.

The Defense chief said the slashes are necessary to bring military outlays into line with the \$38 billion budgeted for that item in the fiscal year that started July 1. While defense spending often has exceeded the budget estimate, Mr. Wilson made it clear the Administration intends to keep it there this year, partly to prevent pushing the national debt above the legal limit and partly as a result of economy sentiment in both the Administration and Congress.

The Senate yesterday interrupted its civil rights debate long enough to send the White House the Defense Department's \$33.8 billion appropriations bill for fiscal 1958. The measure provides almost \$2.4 billion less than the budget request for slightly more than \$36.1 billion. This was a compromise between cuts of \$1.6 billion and \$2.6 billion voted by the Senate and House, respectively, the first time around.

Impact of Cut

Defense officials say the appropriations cut will have relatively little impact on actual military spending this fiscal year. More than half of the reduction is a "paper" cut, they explain, while much of the rest of the cut was in funds earmarked for spending in 1959 and later fiscal years.

The military, of course, has a huge carry-over of funds which enable it to spend more in a given year than Congress appropriates. Mr. Wilson's economy efforts thus are aimed at controlling spending.

Asked why he favors reducing spending now when only recently he warned Congress that any deep cuts in appropriations would amount to "gambling unwisely" with national security, Mr. Wilson answered that the Administration-inspired economy drive will still provide a "minimum reasonable" defense program and added that "I wouldn't like to see it any less." Later he said his changed stand partly

reflects the fact that the international situation is not "as tough as it was last fall."

Defense outlays in the January-June period of this year, the Defense chief said, were at an annual rate of \$40.2 billion, or \$2.2 billion more than the \$38 billion budgeted this fiscal year. Total outlays in the fiscal year that ended June 30 were \$38.4 billion, according to the latest figures, or considerably more than the projected \$38 billion.

Must Be Done Soon

Further cost-cutting must be done soon, Mr. Wilson warned, to keep total spending in the July-December half of the new fiscal year to \$19 billion, or half the \$38 billion ceiling for the full year, because the Treasury is "going to be so close to scraping the debt limit in January."

The debt subject to the legal limit now stands at about \$272.5 billion. Heavy Federal spending could push it to the \$275 billion ceiling, and the Administration is reluctant to ask Congress to again authorize a temporary boost in the limit as it has in the past.

Further procurement cuts or contract stretch-outs, Mr. Wilson hinted will have to be primarily in the area of missiles and new weapons under development. "We've got things about right" with the Air Force fighter planes, he said, referring to recent stretchout orders. Asked specifically whether production of Boeing Airplane Co.'s "Bomarc" anti-aircraft missile and Northrop Aircraft, Inc.'s intercontinental "Snark" missile might be stretched out, the Defense chief only replied: "On a selective basis, the best we can (do), there are going to have to be some reductions." However, he emphasized, these will be in all areas, including operating and maintenance costs.

Reductions of 6% to 8%

Overall defense spending, when the economy moves are completed, will have been cut "somewhere between 6% and 8%," Mr. Wilson said. But in some areas the cuts may be as deep as 10% or 20% to avoid any impairment of high-priority programs such as the development of 5,000-mile intercontinental ballistic missiles.

Four Concerns Term Congressional Figures On Taxes 'Misleading'

Companies Say Refunds Last Year Were Actually Below Amounts That Revenue Unit Reported

By a WALL STREET JOURNAL Staff Reporter
NEW YORK — Four corporations called "misleading" a Congressional report on tax refunds they had received last year, as summarized by the Associated Press.

American Viscose Corp., Coca-Cola Co., Celanese Corp. of America and Budd Co. all said the actual tax refunds or credits they received in 1956 were below the amounts reported Wednesday by the Congressional Committee on Internal Revenue Taxation, as quoted by the A. P.

The story, dispatched by the wire service, had said American Viscose got tax refunds and credits of \$20,287,225 in 1956. However, William H. Brown, vice president and treasurer, said Avisco had actually received a tax refund of only \$3,500,000 last year, plus interest of \$1,800,000 on that amount. He noted these amounts had already been reported to stockholders, and added Avisco doesn't expect to get any further refunds this year.

Mr. Brown said the \$20 million figure represented not only last year's refunds but also tax savings realized by the company during World War II by rapid amortization of emergency war facilities, and also a tax carry-back credit received in 1951.

In addition to the actual refund of \$3,500,000 it got last year, American Viscose also reported an agreement it reached with the Internal Revenue Service early in 1955 "released an income tax provision of \$3,200,000." Mr. Brown said this represented reserves Avisco had been holding for taxes it might have had to pay if the agreement with the I.R.S. had not been reached.

Coca-Cola Co., which had been reported as receiving a refund of \$8,099,309 last year, said about \$7,750,000 of this had actually been received in 1945 and 1946, "and was credit to earnings of those years." Edmund W. Pugh, Jr., treasurer, said the refunds "resulted from the application of excess credits in the years 1945-46 against profits subject to excess profits taxes in 1943-44."

Celanese Corp. of America had been reported as receiving a refund of \$8,169,000 last year, but the company's annual report listed only a \$4 million credit.

Edward P. Killackey, Celanese treasurer, explained the \$8 million figure represented overpayment of excess profits taxes during 1943 and 1944. However, he said, this "rebate" was still subject to normal tax and surtax at the rates prevailing during World War II, so the net credit Celanese actually received was only \$4,082,000, or about half the amount the committee had listed.

A spokesman for Budd Co. said a Congressional report on income tax refunds the company had received in 1956 was "wrong." The firm said the amount it received was \$2,180,765, instead of the \$2,222,025 reported by the Congressional committee.

WASHINGTON—(AP)—Tax officials here, in the wake of publication of a Congressional report on Federal tax rebates during 1956, said, some of the refunds and credits allowed last year may have been paid by the Treasury as far back as 1941, and long since reported to stockholders.

The procedure of granting tentative, or "quickie," tax adjustments in years prior to formal approval of tax rebates was explained in connection with a Treasury report to Congress on refunds and credits in excess of \$100,000 allowed in 1956.

While formal adjustment of the tax over-assessments was made in 1956, actual refunds may have been paid off in prior years on a tentative basis. The payments then were credited against the amount finally allowed.

Under the law, the Treasury may not refund taxes in excess of \$100,000 without notifying Congress. The figures are sent to the Committee on Internal Revenue Taxation the year they are formally allowed, but the report in no way discloses the date or amounts of payments actually made prior to formal notification.

The Air Force and Navy, he said, will have to trim by the same 6 to 8% their original plans to order airplanes this fiscal year for later delivery. The Air Force originally planned to order 1,515 planes and the Navy 1,220. Cutbacks in ordering, of course, would not reduce defense spending until two or three years from now when the planes would be delivered and paid for.

Mr. Wilson declined to estimate just how much of the cuts have already been made in each field, sticking to his statement that the necessary overall reduction has been only about half completed.

The military has already made a number of economy moves. Mr. Wilson has ordered a 100,000-man cut in troop strength below the present 2,800,000 level, by December 31. This is to cut spending about \$200 million a year initially and ultimate savings might run as high as \$300 million to \$400 million a year.

Over the weekend the Defense chief ordered the three services to trim spending on maintenance and operations during the July-December period by an annual rate of about \$500 million. The Navaho intercontinental "air-breathing" missile under development by North American Aviation, Inc., has been cancelled and the Air Force last week ordered a stretchout in the planned production build-up of four of its newest fighters.

Fighter Plane Stretch-Out

Spending on Navaho, Mr. Wilson disclosed, had been running at \$15 million a month, or about \$180 million a year. Most savings from the Air Force fighter plane stretchout, officials have stated, probably won't be realized

until the fiscal year that begins 11 months from now, when full production is scheduled to be reached.

Mr. Wilson was questioned about reports the Army is going ahead with development of a 600-mile range ballistic missile even though his own directive of last November denied the Army operational use of missiles with a range exceeding 200 miles. "If they're going ahead with it, I don't think they're going very far," Mr. Wilson said, later adding that the project is "99.99% out."

The Defense chief said Sen. Mansfield (D-Mont.) is "only guessing" in stating the Pentagon plans a further 130,000-man cut in troop strength. However, he said earlier, "we are making a study right now" to see what force level should be provided for in the budget to be presented to Congress next January for the next fiscal year.

After approving the Defense Department money bill yesterday, the Senate also completed Congressional action on the Agriculture Department's fiscal 1958 appropriation, providing \$3.7 billion, or about \$300 million less than the Administration requested last January.

Action on the two measures brings to \$3.9 billion the total cuts made by Congress out of \$55.3 billion of original Administration requests in 12 bills sent to the White House.

Further reductions in still pending appropriations measures, including foreign aid, public works and an omnibus measure covering, among other things, the Small Business Administration and military construction, are likely to bring the total to \$5 billion or so when Congress quits.

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Goodrich Chemical Expands Darlan-Making Facilities

CLEVELAND—Goodrich Chemical Co., a division of B. F. Goodrich Co., has started an expansion of pilot plant facilities at Avon Lake, Ohio, to triple capacity to turn out Darlan, a synthetic fibre developed by Goodrich Chemical.

Work was started about a month ago, and completion is expected early in 1958, a Goodrich Chemical spokesman said. He did not estimate the cost.

He said there were two main reasons for the expansion. It will enable the company to undertake an accelerated market evaluation of the new fibre's properties. The expansion is also aimed at providing more information on production costs, process designs and other technological problems in advance of the day when Goodrich might attempt commercial-scale output of Darlan.

For three years, the fibre has been in a test-marketing program as a material for deep-pile, fur-like coats.

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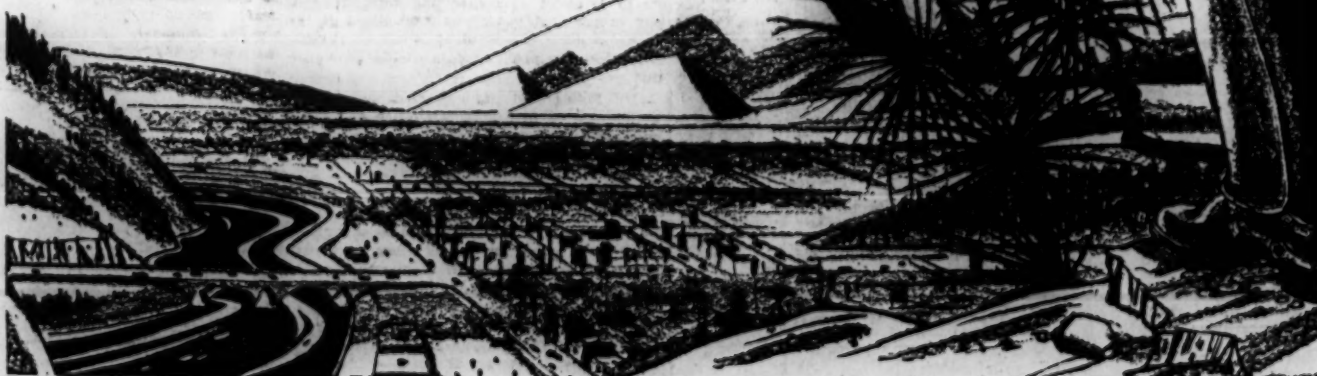
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